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On days when I have to ink **Dragon Ball**, I get up around noon, eat breakfast, and then around 1 p.m. I begin working together with my assistant Matsuyama. I take a break from 7 to 8 p.m. to eat dinner, walk my dog, and feed my bird. Matsuyama goes home around 9 p.m. and I continue to work while watching television. I usually take a bath around 11 p.m. and then after that I relax but I continue to do a bit more work. I will then go to sleep around 4 a.m. And that is what my inking days are like.

–Akira Toriyama, 1987

Artist/writer Akira Toriyama burst onto the manga scene in 1980 with the wildly popular **Dr. Slump**, a science fiction comedy about the adventures of a mad scientist and his android "daughter." In 1984 he created his hit series **Dragon Ball**, which ran until 1995 in Shueisha's bestselling magazine **Weekly Shonen Jump**, and was translated into foreign languages around the world. Since **Dragon Ball**, he has worked on a variety of short series, including **Cowa!**, **Kajika**, **Sand Land**, and **Neko Majin**, as well as a children's book, **Toccio the Angel**. He is also known for his design work on video games, particularly the **Dragon Warrior** RPG series. He lives with his family in Japan.

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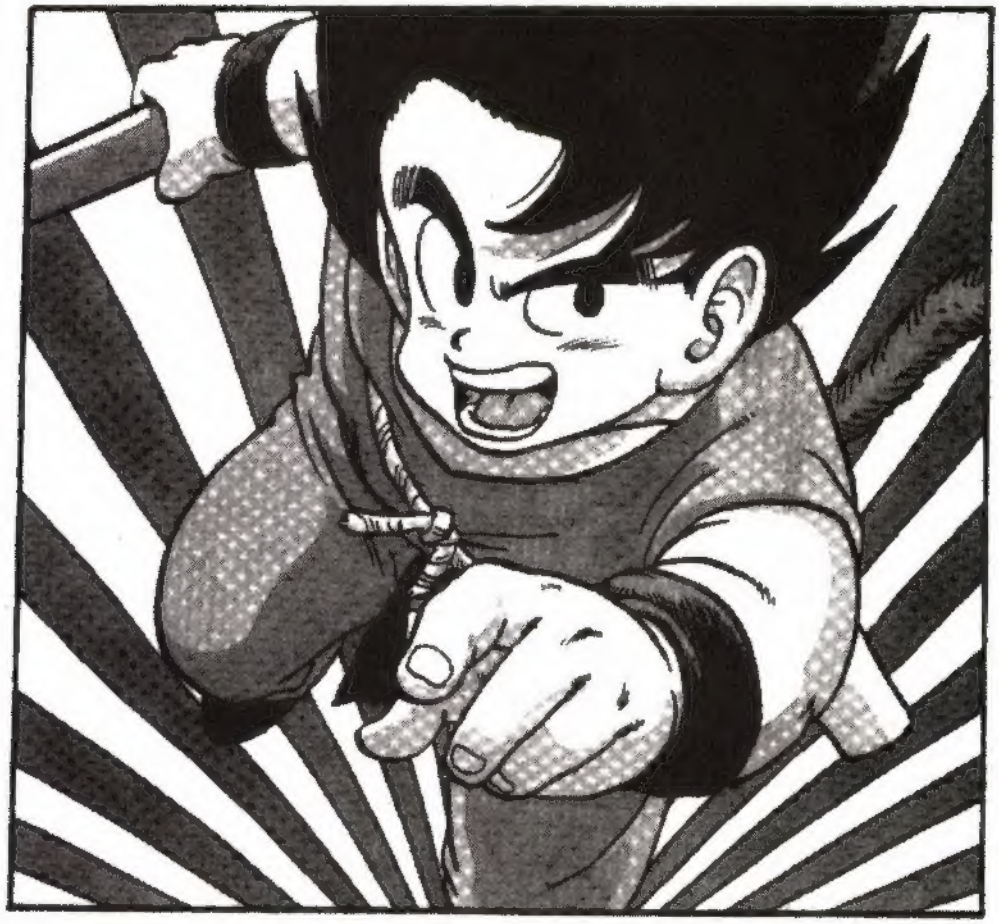

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THE MAIN CHARACTERS

Son Goku
Monkey-tailed Son Goku has always been stronger than normal. His grandfather Gohan gave him the *nyoibō*, a magic staff, and Kame-Sen'nin gave him the *kinto'un*, a magic flying cloud.

Bulma
A genius inventor, Bulma met Goku on her quest for the seven magical Dragon Balls.

Yamcha
Yamcha used to be a desert bandit, but he went to the city to be Bulma's on-and-off boyfriend. He uses "Fist of the Wolf-Fang" kung-fu. Pu'ar is his shapeshifting friend.

Lunch
A strange woman whose personality changes whenever she sneezes.

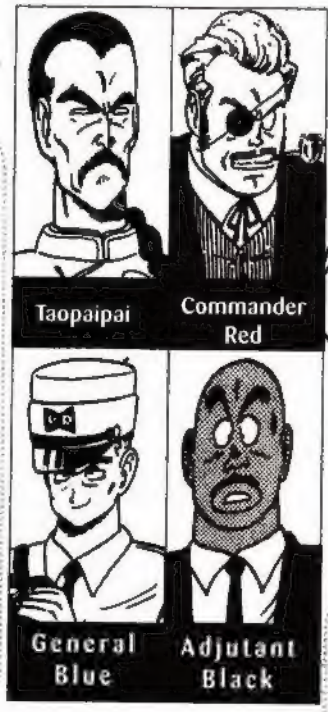
Kuririn
Goku's former martial arts schoolmate under Kame-Sen'nin.

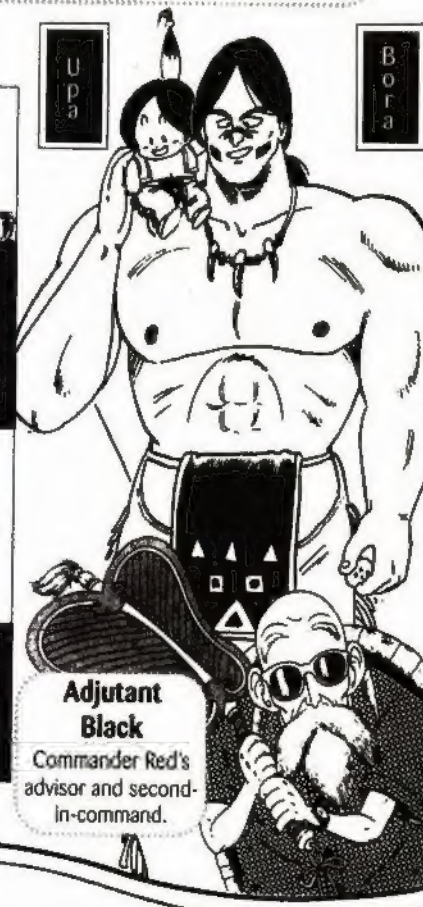
Commander Red
The ultimate authority of the Red Ribbon Army, he wants to gather all seven Dragon Balls so that his wish can be granted.

Taopaipai
The world's deadliest assassin.

Bora & Upa
A father and son who live in the Karin Sanctuary. When Bora defended his land from the Red Ribbon Army, they kidnapped his son. But Goku rescued Upa and brought him back safely.

General Blue
A cruel, vain sub-commander of the Red Ribbon Army. Goku defeated him, but General Blue managed to hang on to Bulma's Dragon Radar that detects the Dragon Balls!





Adjutant Black
Commander Red's advisor and second-in-command.

Kame-Sen'nin (The "Turtle Hermit")
A lecherous but powerful martial artist (also known as the *muten-rōshi*, or "Invincible Old Master") who trained Goku's grandfather, Son Gohan, as well as Goku himself. He taught Goku the *kamehameha* attack.

Legend says that whoever gathers the seven magical "Dragon Balls" will be granted any one wish. Son Goku, a young boy from the mountains, first heard the legend from a city girl named Bulma. After many dangerous adventures with Bulma, Goku trained under the great martial artist Kame-Sen'nin and competed in the "Strongest Under the Heavens" fighting tournament. Afterwards, Goku resumed his quest for the Dragon Balls, only to find that a powerful enemy, the Red Ribbon Army, was also searching for them. Now, frustrated by Goku's continued interference, Commander Red has hired an assassin to get rid of him once and for all...

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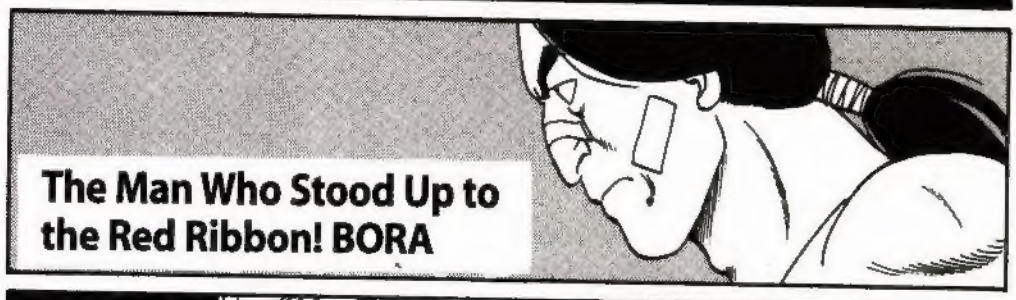
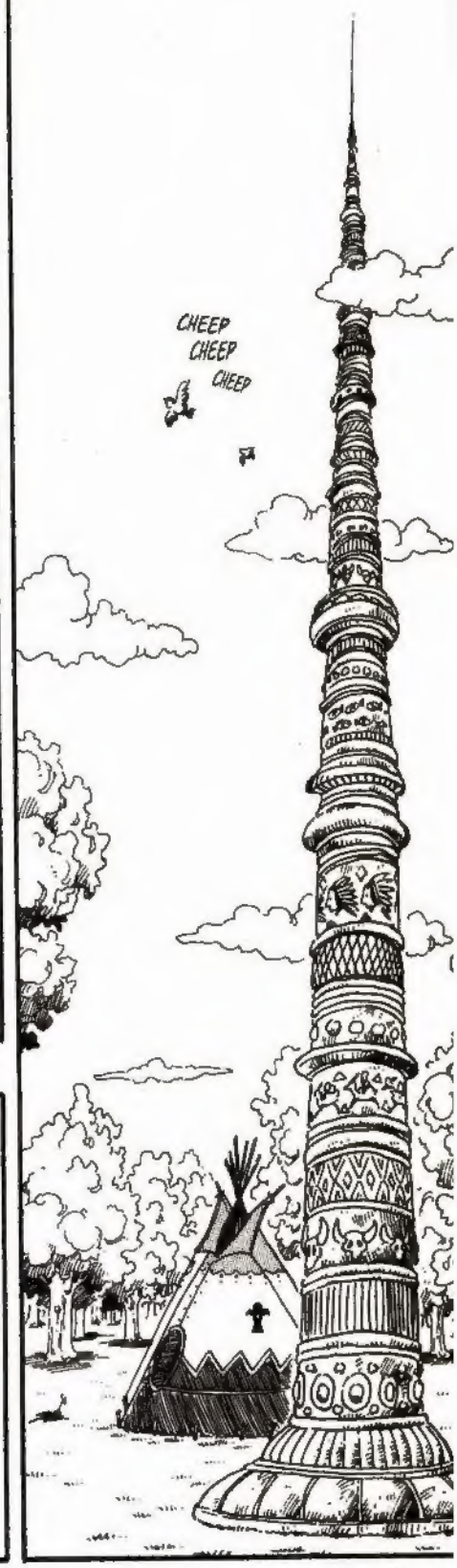


THANK YOU FOR RESCUING MY SON.
IT WAS NOTHIN', JUST PART OF BEATING UP THAT ARMY GUY!

MISTER, THAT'S A DRAGON BALL YOU'RE HOLDING IN YOUR HAND!!!
THERE IT IS !!!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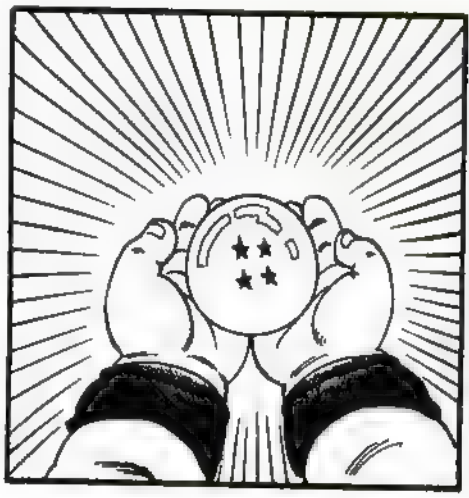
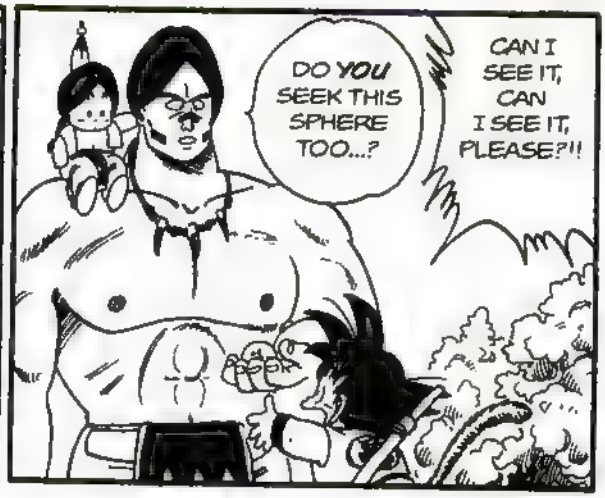
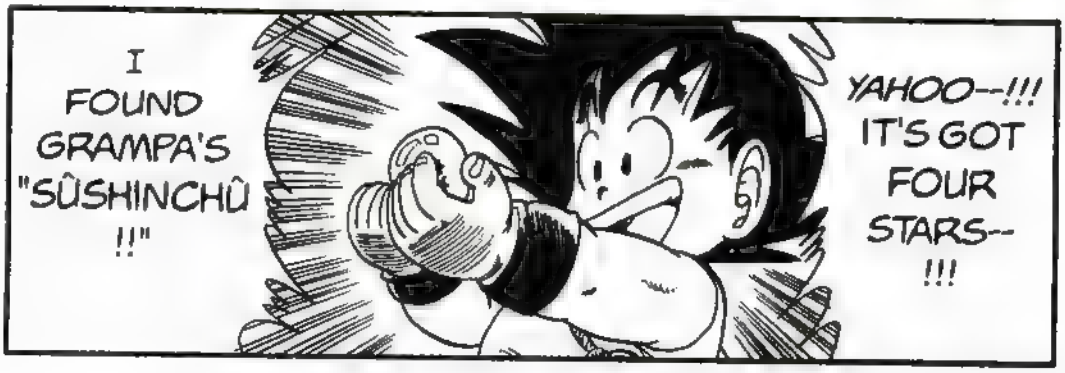
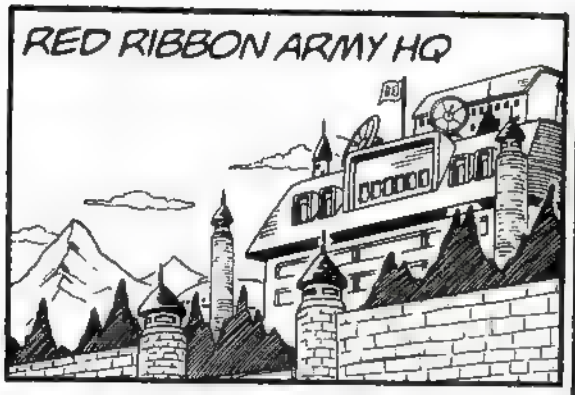



DO YOU SEEK THIS SPHERE TOO...?
CAN I SEE IT, CAN I SEE IT, PLEASE?!!


I FOUND GRAMPA'S "SÛSHINCHÛ !!"
YAHOO--!!! IT'S GOT FOUR STARS--!!!

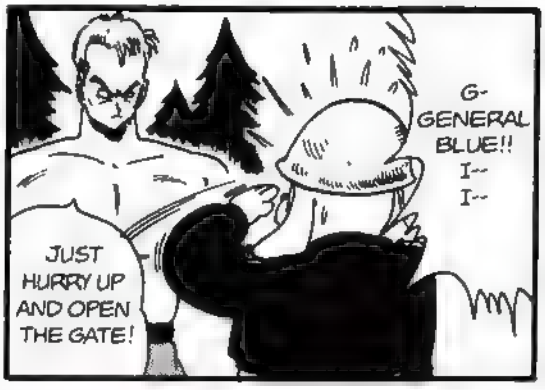

RED RIBBON ARMY HQ

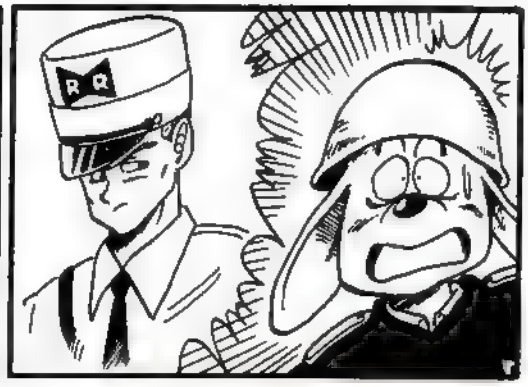
WOO-HOO WOO-HOO--!!!
WHAT IS THIS? WHAT IS THE MEANING OF THAT SPHERE?

SHUUUUN

WHERE DO YOU THINK YOU ARE, HUH?!!
HEY, HEY, HEY!!
TAP
R R
SKRII
SCRAM!! UNLESS YOU WANT TO BE TURNED TO DOG FOOD, THAT IS!!
FYOOOO
HO-!!!

DO YOU MAKE A HABIT OF FORGETTING YOUR SUPERIORS' FACES, WORM!?
GNNG


G-GENERAL BLUE!! I-- I--
JUST HURRY UP AND OPEN THE GATE!



DOOM
I AM TAOPAIPAI... MASTER ASSASSIN!

...MY SERVICES DO NOT COME CHEAPLY.
I MUST WARN YOU IN ADVANCE...
GOOD OF YOU TO COME, TAOPAIPAI.

100 M-MILLION ZENII...?!!
KILL YOU!
FOR EACH STRIKE... I MUST RECEIVE 100 MILLION ZENII!

IF YOU DO THE JOB WELL, I WILL PAY WHATEVER YOU ASK.

TH-THANK YOU...
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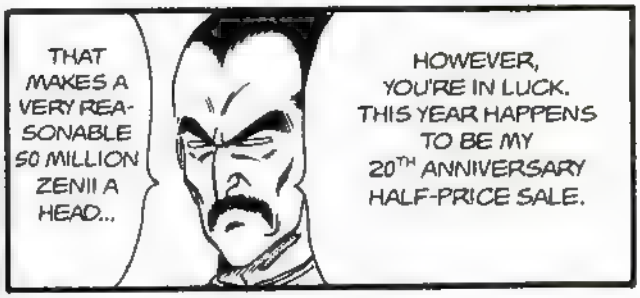

THAT MAKES A VERY REA-SONABLE 50 MILLION ZENII A HEAD...
HOWEVER, YOU'RE IN LUCK. THIS YEAR HAPPENS TO BE MY 20TH ANNIVERSARY HALF-PRICE SALE.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO TEST ME?

YOU'D BETTER BE THE REAL TAOPAIPAI....

IT IS I, BLUE!
WH-WHO IS IT?

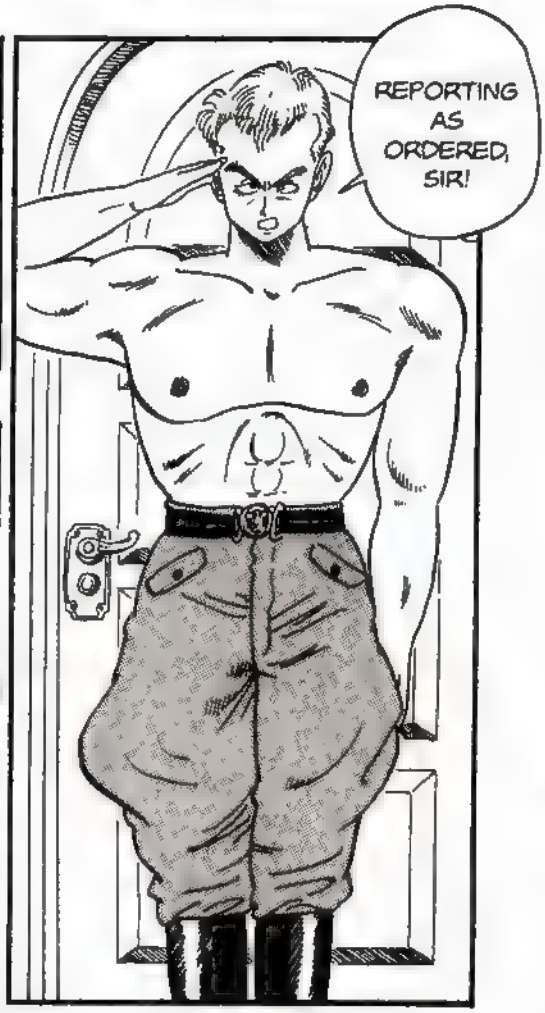
NOK NOK
O-OH, NO, THAT'S QUITE ALL RIGHT...

ENTER...
GENERAL BLUE, EH...?

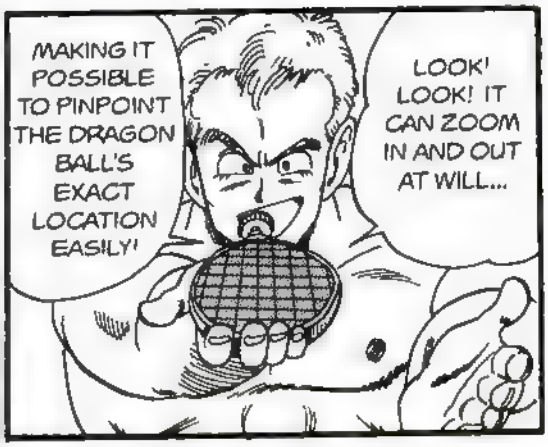
WELL, IT WAS QUITE A JOB... STEALING AIRPLANES... CARS... ETC....
I'M AMAZED THAT YOU'VE RETURNED.

I AM AMAZED THAT YOU CAN NONCHALANTLY STROLL BACK IN HERE AFTER LOSING THE DRAGON BALLS TO THAT BRAT SON GOKU!
THAT'S NOT WHAT I MEANT.

A-A-AND I DID GET THE ENEMY'S RADAR !!
B-B-BUT... THAT COULDN'T BE HELPED!


REPORTING AS ORDERED, SIR!

WITH THIS, I WILL GATHER ALL SEVEN DRAGON BALLS FOR YOU!!
IT'S THAT SMALL...?


MAKING IT POSSIBLE TO PINPOINT THE DRAGON BALL'S EXACT LOCATION EASILY!
LOOK! LOOK! IT CAN ZOOM IN AND OUT AT WILL...

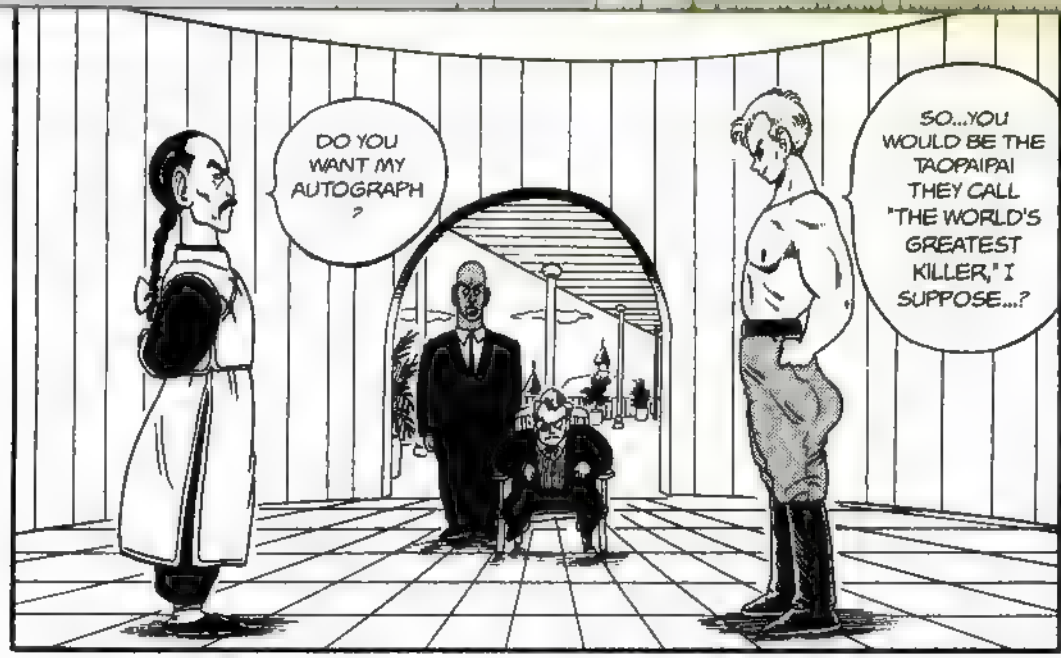
THOSE WHO CANNOT COMPLETE THEIR DUTIES ARE TO BE EXECUTED!
BUT MY ORDER WAS TO BRING BACK THE DRAGON BALLS!

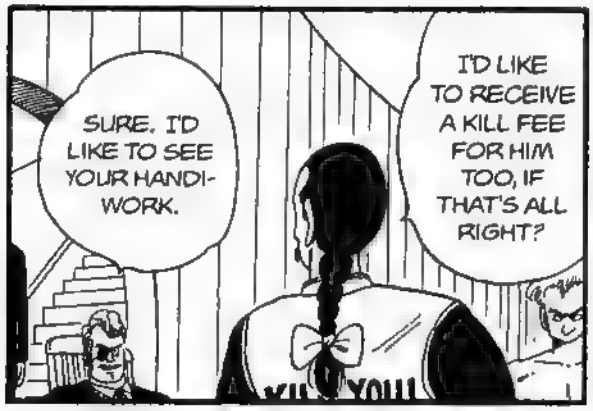
THAT IS QUITE A USEFUL ACCOMPLISH-MENT...

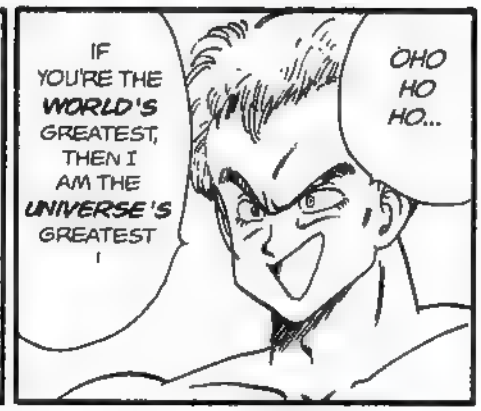
GASP
I...
I...
BUT...

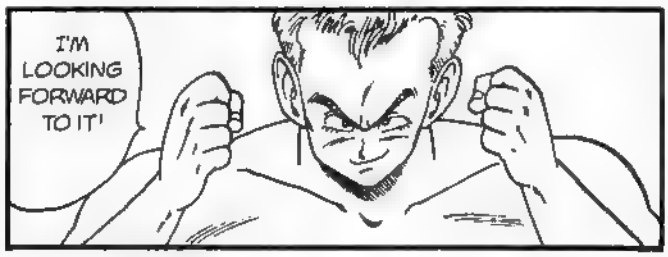
THANK YOU, SIR!

HOWEVER, YOU HAVE SERVED THE RED RIBBON ARMY VERY WELL IN THE PAST.
I WILL GIVE YOU A CHANCE TO REDEEM YOURSELF. IF YOU FIGHT TAOPAIPAI HERE AND WIN...YOUR HONOR WILL BE RESTORED.


DO YOU WANT MY AUTOGRAPH ?
SO...YOU WOULD BE THE TAOPAIPAI THEY CALL "THE WORLD'S GREATEST KILLER," I SUPPOSE...?


SURE. I'D LIKE TO SEE YOUR HANDI-WORK.
I'D LIKE TO RECEIVE A KILL FEE FOR HIM TOO, IF THAT'S ALL RIGHT?

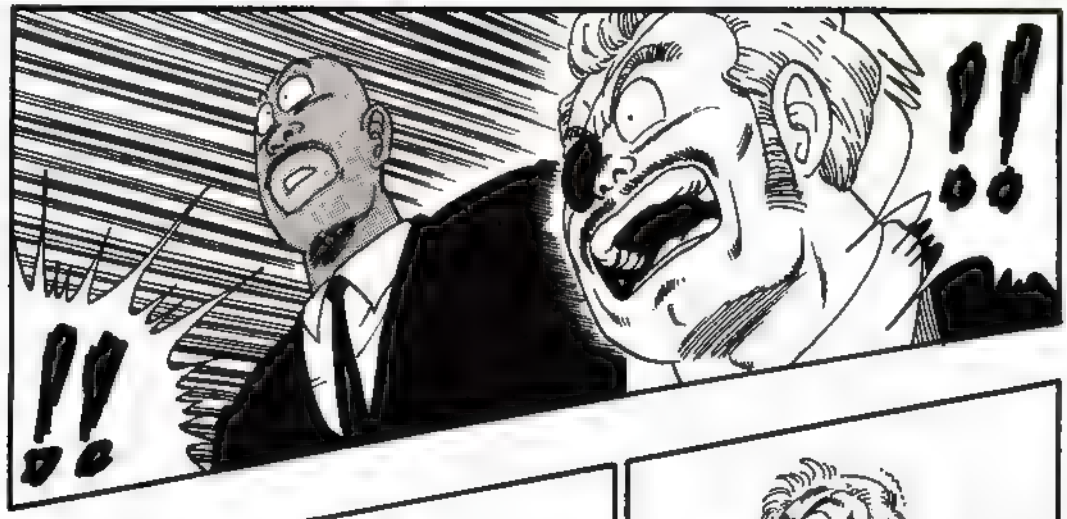

IF YOU'RE THE WORLD'S GREATEST, THEN I AM THE UNIVERSE'S GREATEST !
OHO HO HO...


I'M LOOKING FORWARD TO IT!

BEGIN!!

AGAINST A NOVICE LIKE YOU, I WON'T USE MY ARMS OR LEGS... BUT JUST MY TONGUE TO TAKE YOU DOWN!

VNNN
DODGE!
HYOH !!!!
BMM
BLAAAA!
SLURP!
POIK
ZOK!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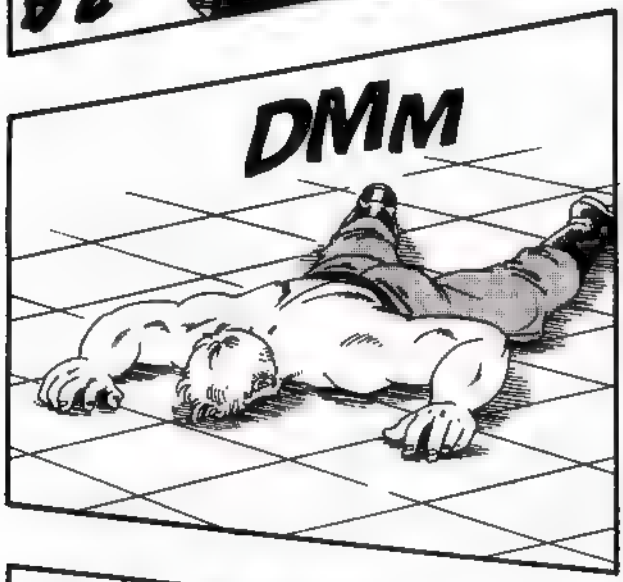
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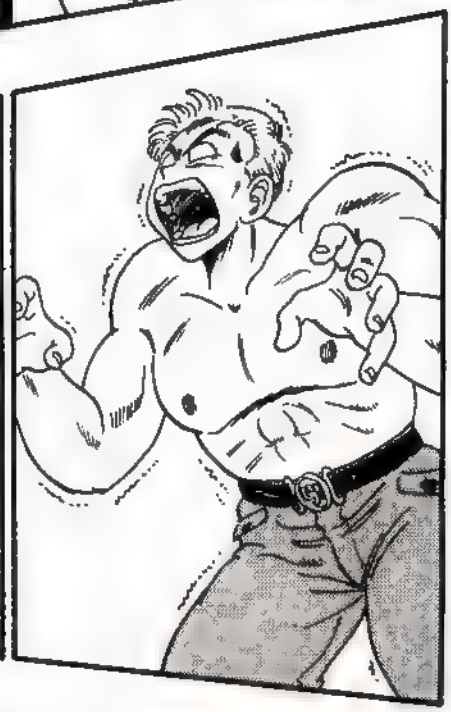


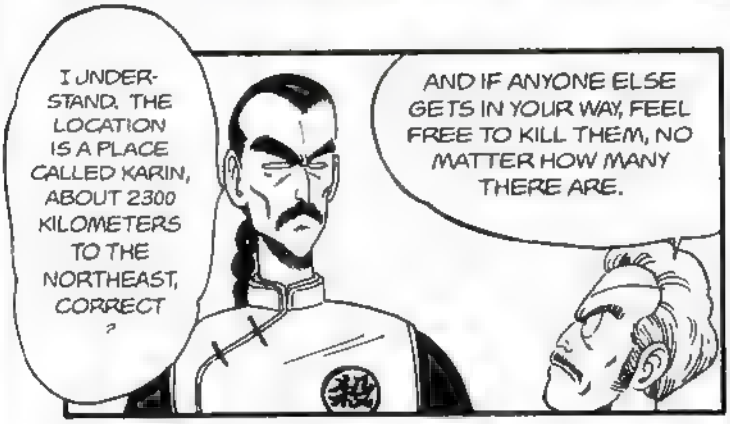
HE REALLY IS AS DEADLY AS HE CLAIMS TO BE...
I WOULDN'T EVEN SAY "BLOW"...
H-HE TOOK DOWN BLUE... W-WITH JUST ONE BLOW....

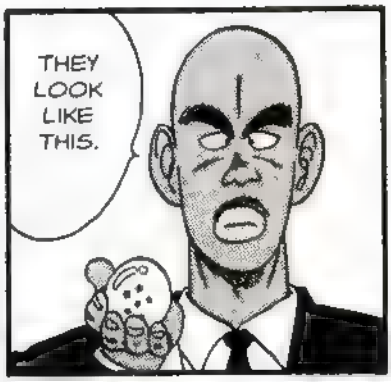
I CRAVE A WORTHY OPPO-NENT...
FEH..
殺

ENOUGH FORMALITIES. SHOW ME WHO MY REAL TARGETS ARE.
NOW.

THAT'S WHAT WE KEPT SAYING...AND REGRETTING IT.
WHAT-- THAT LITTLE BOY !?

AND, UH, BY THE WAY.. THAT BRAT SON GOKU SHOULD HAVE FOUR BALLS ON HIM... WE'D APPRECIATE IT IF YOU COULD JUST BRING THEM BACK WITH YOU, HM?
VERY PROFES-SIONAL.
WELL, IT'S NO MATTER TO ME. AS LONG AS I RECEIVE MY PAYMENT, I WILL ERASE WHOMEVER YOU WANT.

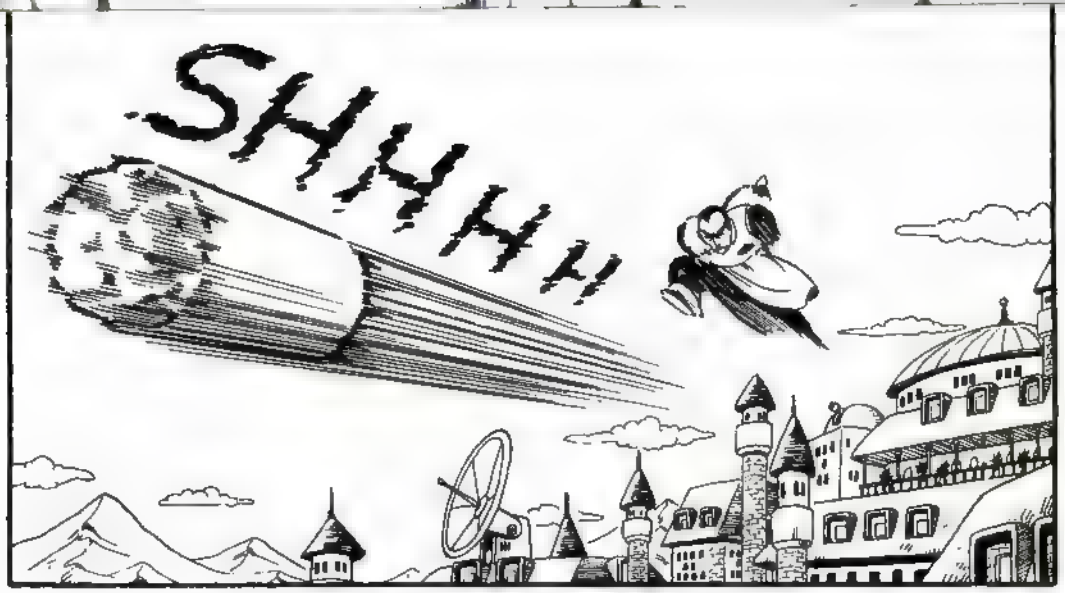

I UNDER-STAND. THE LOCATION IS A PLACE CALLED KARIN, ABOUT 2300 KILOMETERS TO THE NORTHEAST, CORRECT ?
AND IF ANYONE ELSE GETS IN YOUR WAY, FEEL FREE TO KILL THEM, NO MATTER HOW MANY THERE ARE.


THEY LOOK LIKE THIS.

THE PILLAR? WH-WHAT DO YOU MEAN?
MAY I HAVE THIS ONE PILLAR HERE?
HUH ?

THAT WILL NOT BE NECESSARY-- AN AIRPLANE WILL TAKE TOO LONG.
WE HAVE A JET PREPARED FOR YOU-- THIS WAY, PLEASE.

TM
HOP
TP
THP
BWOK
2300 KILO-METERS, MMM...?
WELL, THEN, I SHOULD BE BACK IN ABOUT 30 MINUTES...
PYOH !!!!
VNNN


SHHHH

HOOOOOSH

TUP

THE KARIN SANCTUARY

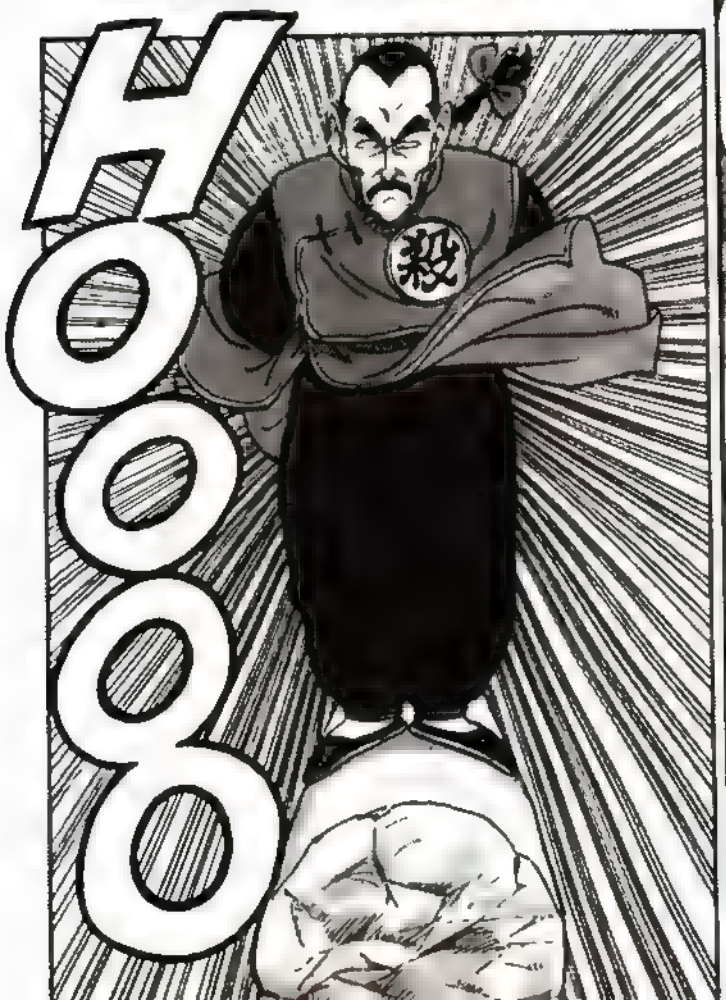
GYAH-HAHA!!! IT'S AS IF WE'VE ALREADY GOT THOSE DRAGON BALLS IN OUR HANDS !!!
WH-WHAT A TERRIBLE FELLOW...

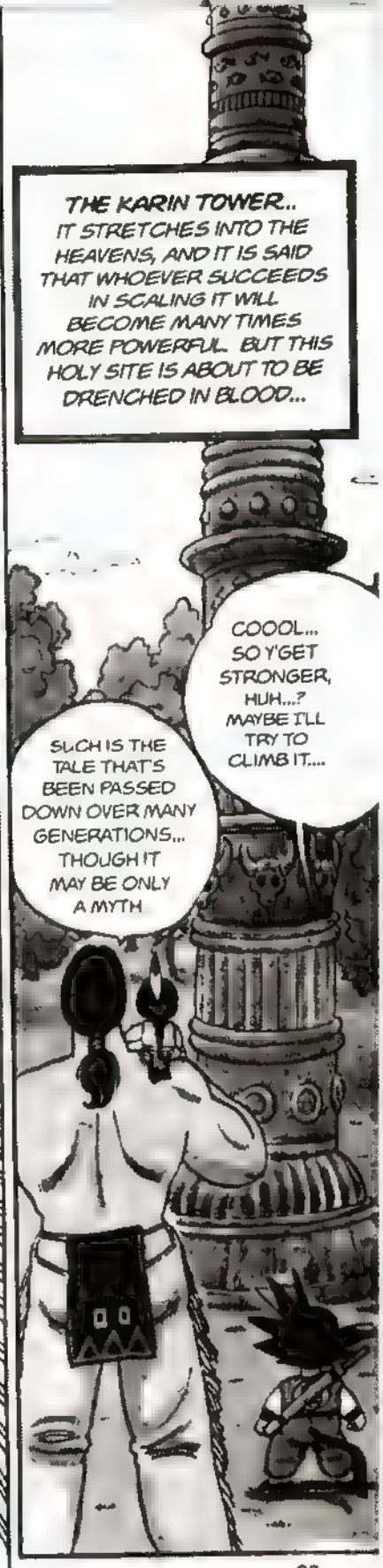
AND ALL SEVEN TOGETHER WILL GRANT ANY WISH...?HMM...NO WONDER THEY WERE SO INTENT UPON TAKING THIS SPHERE....

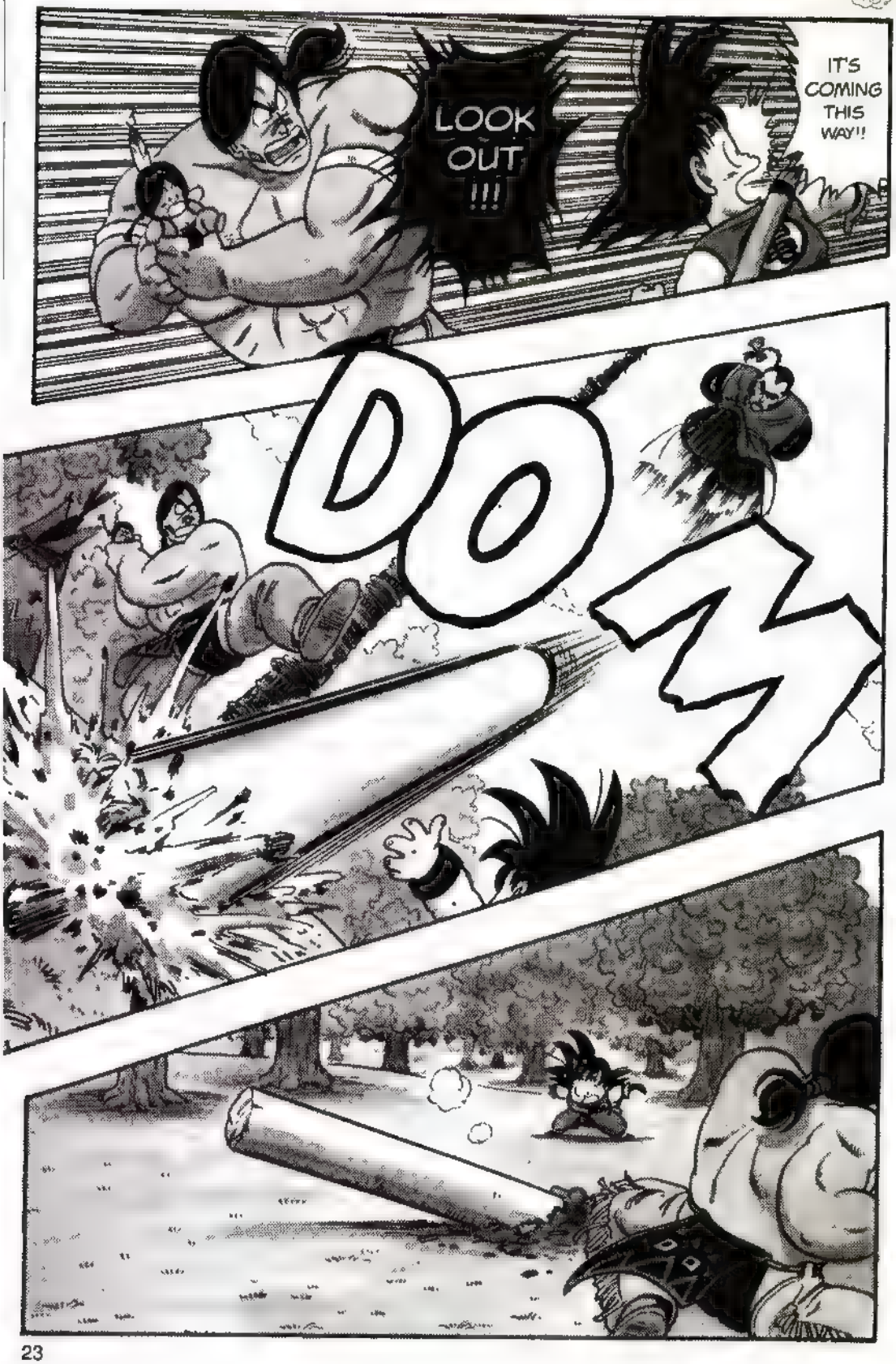
NEXT: Fighting Fire with Fire!

Tale 86

The Devastating Dodon-pa!!!

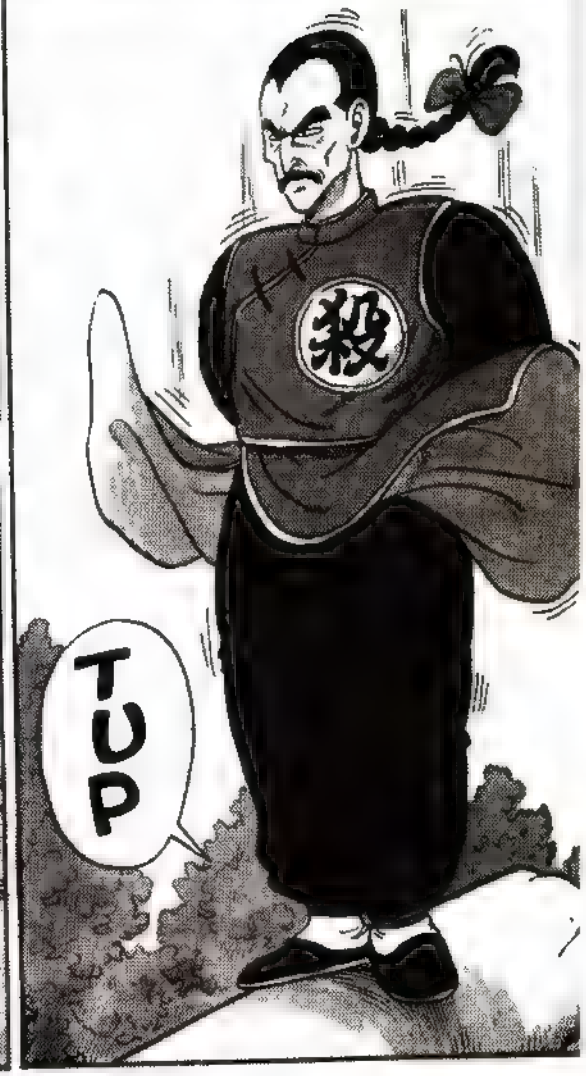





LOOK OUT !!!
IT'S COMING THIS WAY!!
DOM

ALO~ HA~!

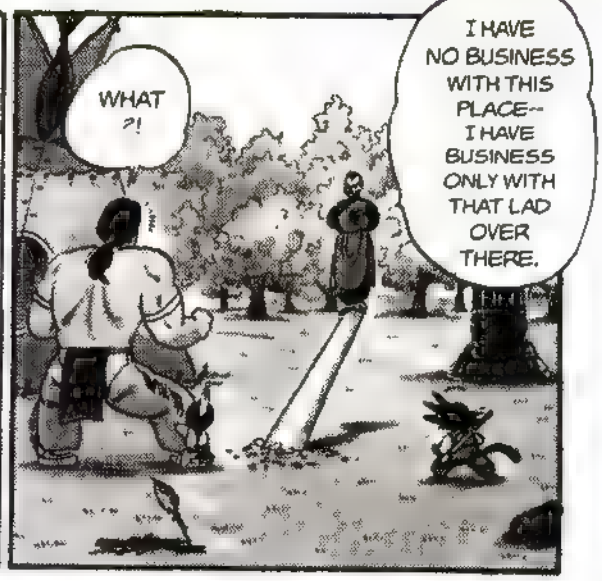
WH-WHO IN THE WORLD ARE YOU?!!
...


殺
TUP

TAOPAIPAI !
I'M THE WORLD'S GREATEST ASSASSIN....

WHAT BUSINESS DOES A KILLER HAVE IN THIS HOLY PLACE?
ASSASSIN....

I DON'T EVEN KNOW YOU, MISTER.
BUSINESS WITH ME?

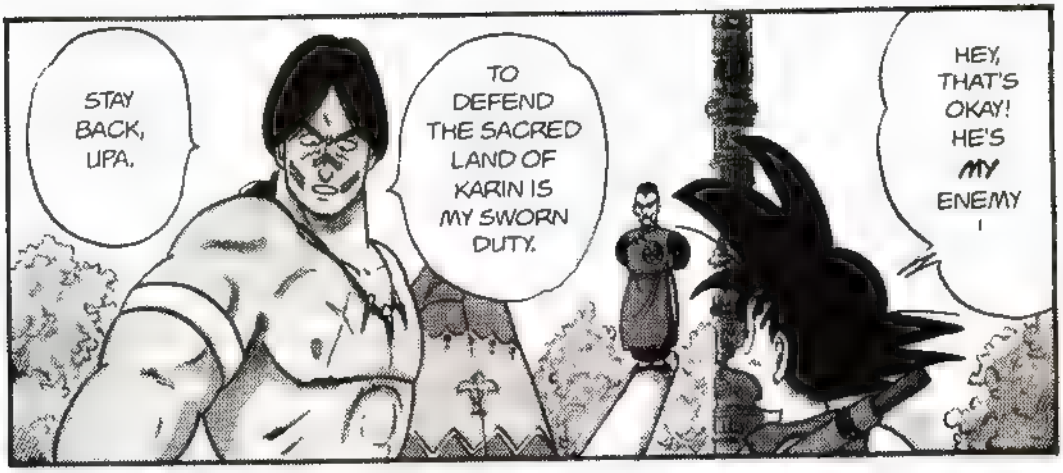

WHAT ?!
I HAVE NO BUSINESS WITH THIS PLACE-- I HAVE BUSINESS ONLY WITH THAT LAD OVER THERE.

THEM AGAIN!! MAN, THEY ARE SO STUBBORN !!
RED RIBBON-- ?!!

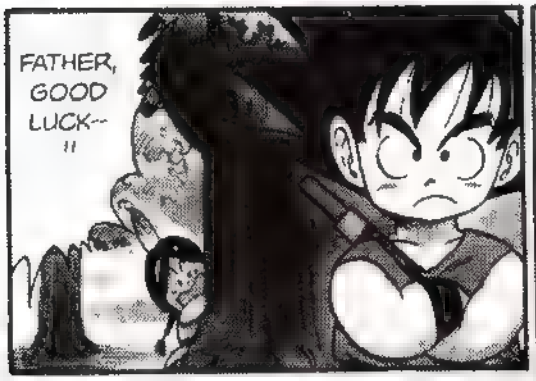
F-FATHER! YOU CAN'T LET THEM DO IT!!

IF YOU WILL NOT LEAVE QUIETLY, I WILL STAND AGAINST YOU.
THIS YOUTH SAVED MY SON'S LIFE.

MY ASSIGNMENT IS TO KILL YOU, SINCE YOU ARE INTERFERING WITH THEIR QUEST FOR SOME BALLS.
PERHAPS YOU WILL UNDERSTAND IF I TELL YOU THAT I WAS HIRED BY THE RED RIBBON ARMY.


STAY BACK, UPA.
TO DEFEND THE SACRED LAND OF KARIN IS MY SWORN DUTY.
HEY, THAT'S OKAY! HE'S MY ENEMY!

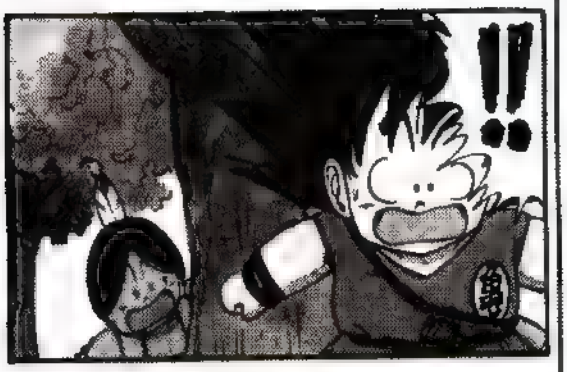
TO DELIBERATELY CHOOSE DEATH...!
HEH HEH HEH, WHAT A FOOL....


FATHER, GOOD LUCK--!!

NOW COME!!

WELL THEN... I'LL MAKE THE FIRST MOVE WITHOUT ANY QUALMS.
HEH HEH HEH... YOU THINK YOU'RE FAIRLY GOOD, DO YOU?

YO!
OH!!!
VOOO
H-HE'S FAST...!!!!
HRRR...!!
NGH...!! G-G-GGG...!!!
MM? SOMETHING THE MATTER? YOU'RE NOT MOVING AT ALL!
WELL THEN, ALLOW ME TO MOVE YOU...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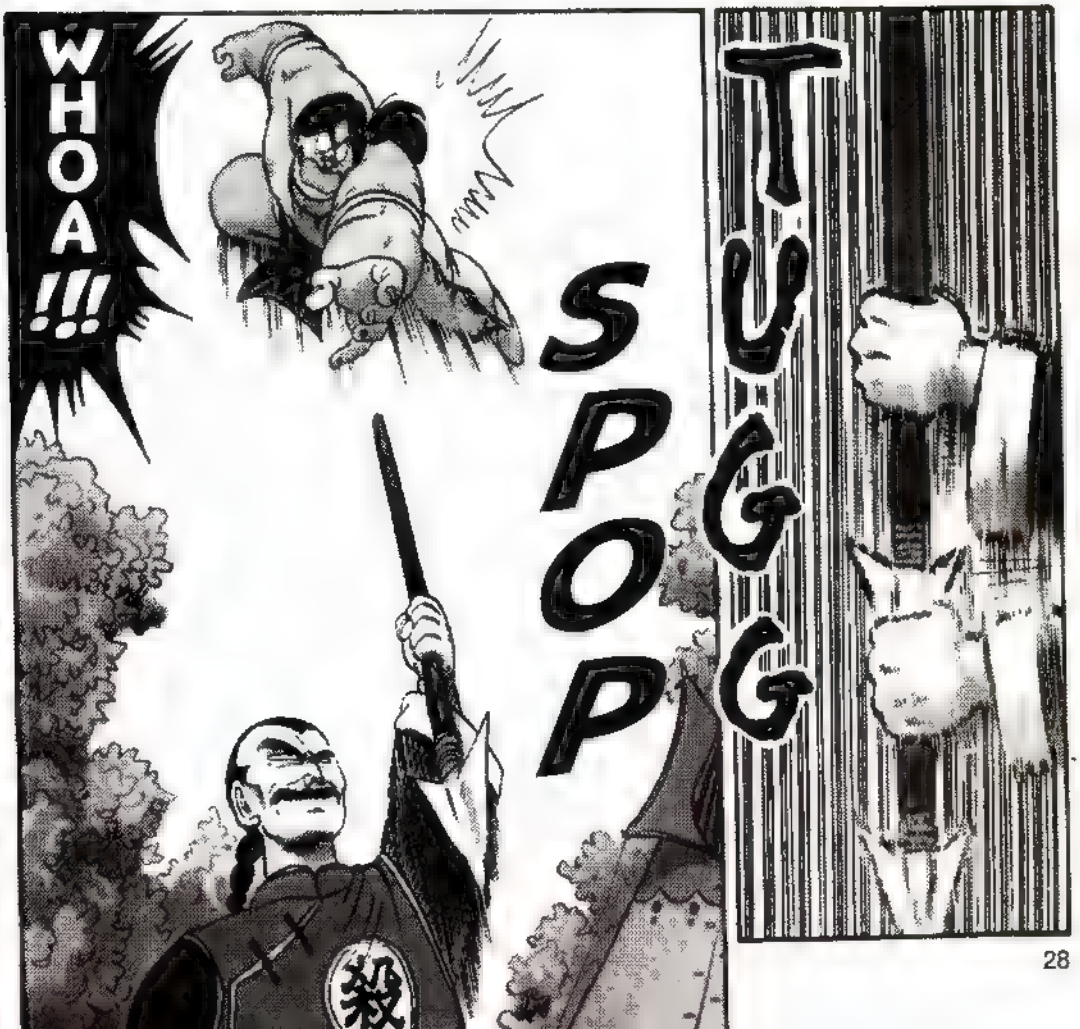
HWI!!
HERE

HENH.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SPOP
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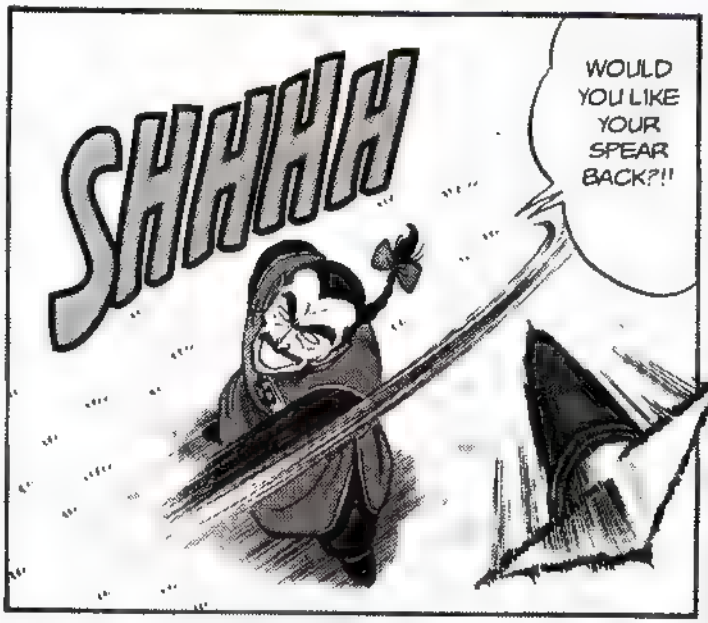
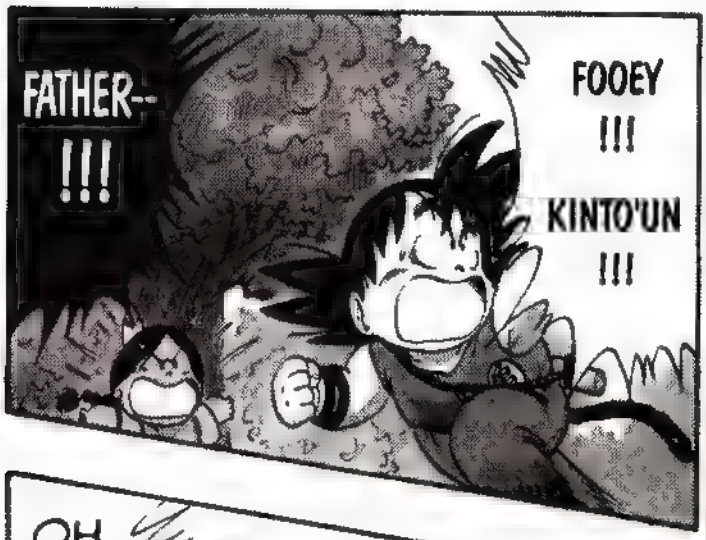

SHHHH
WOULD YOU LIKE YOUR SPEAR BACK?!!

.....!!!
FYOOOOO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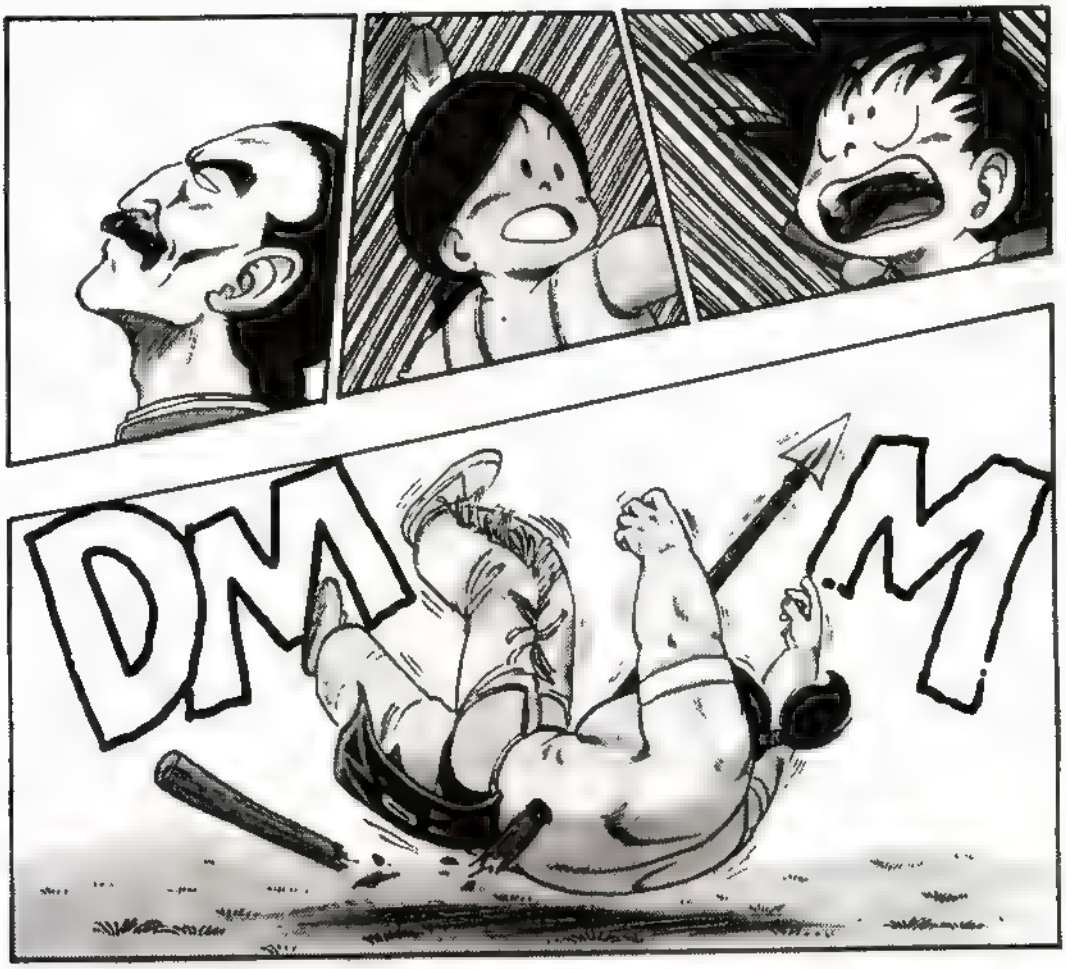
FOOEY !!!
KINTO'UN !!!

OH NO !!!!
AARGH !
ZUDD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FATHER--
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FATHER--
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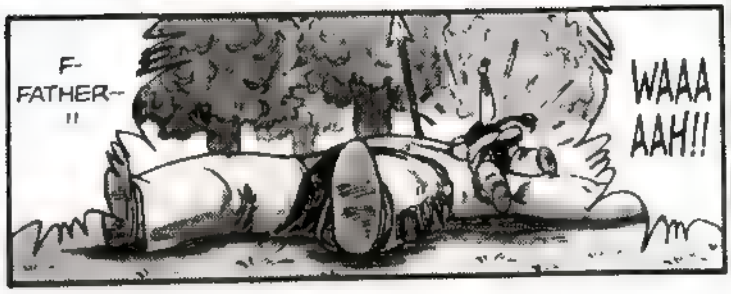
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FATHER--
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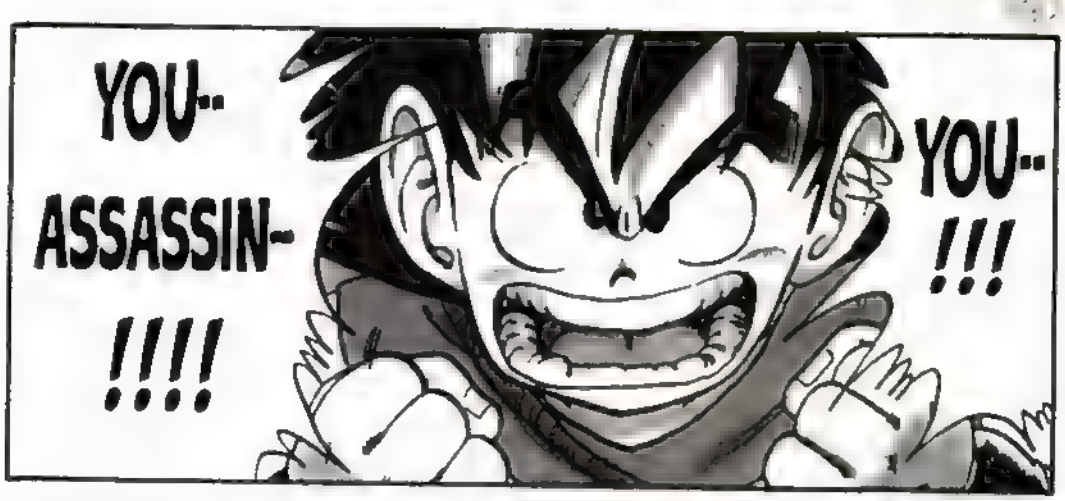
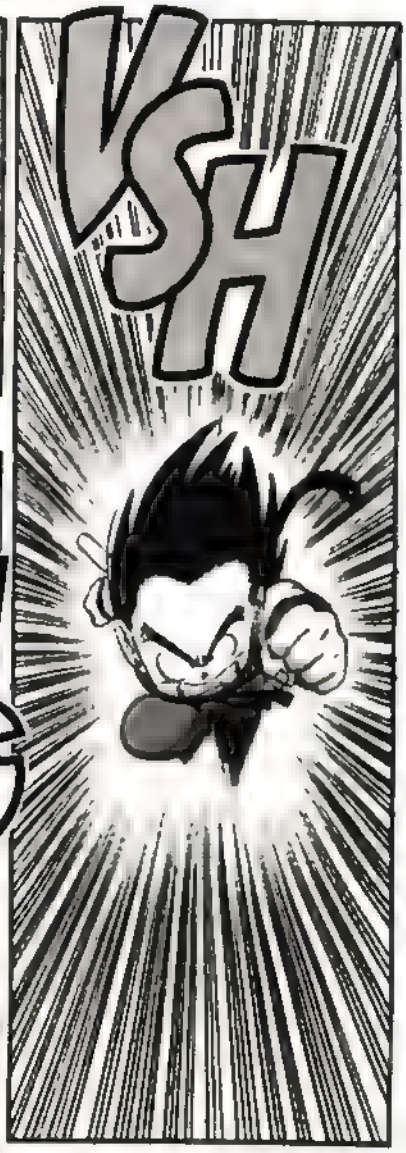
WAAA
AAH!!


YOU-- ASSASSIN- !!!!
YOU-- !!!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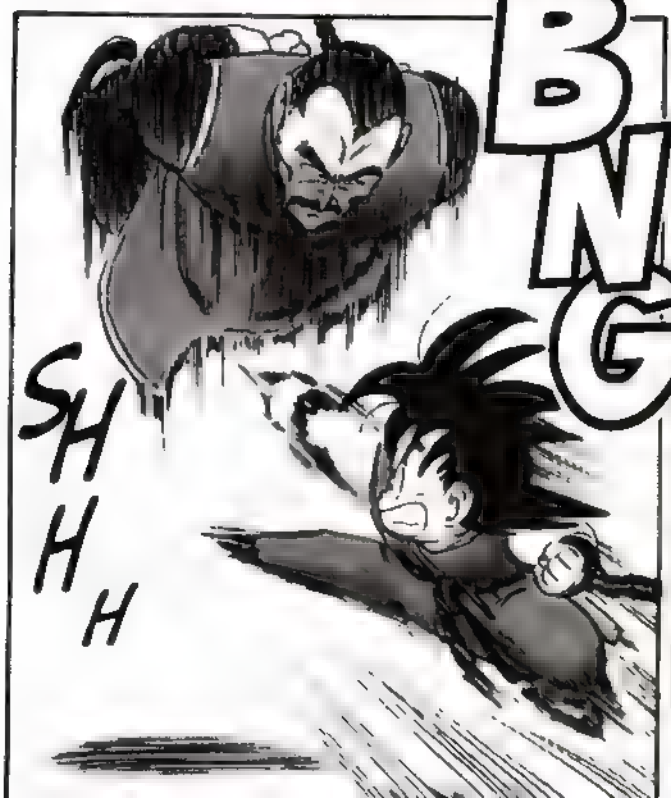
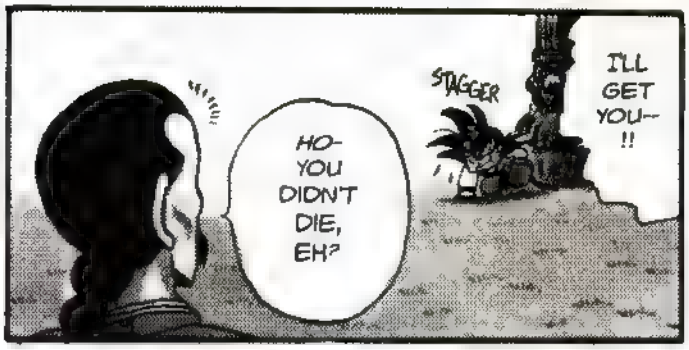
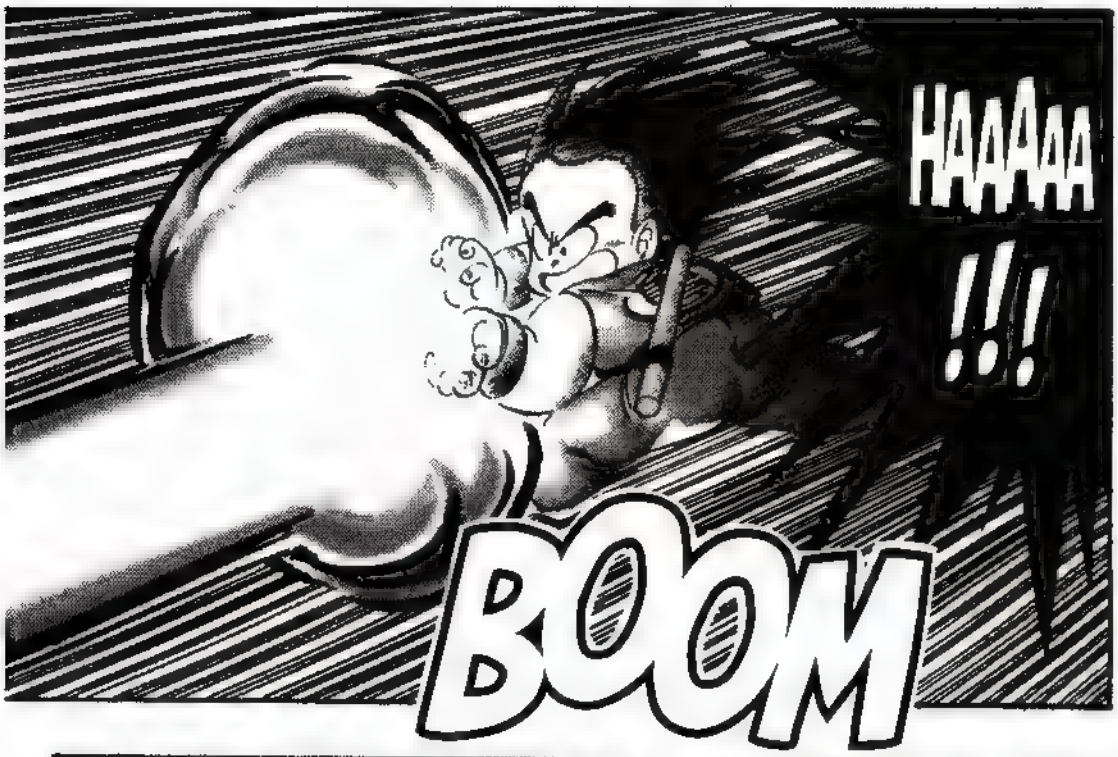

BNG
SHHH

CHK
BAM!
IS THAT ALL? HOW PITIFUL
...
DMP

TAKE THIS... !!


HO- YOU DIDN'T DIE, EH?
STAGGER
I'LL GET YOU-- !!

HA... ME...
KA... ME...


HAAAAA !!!
BOOM

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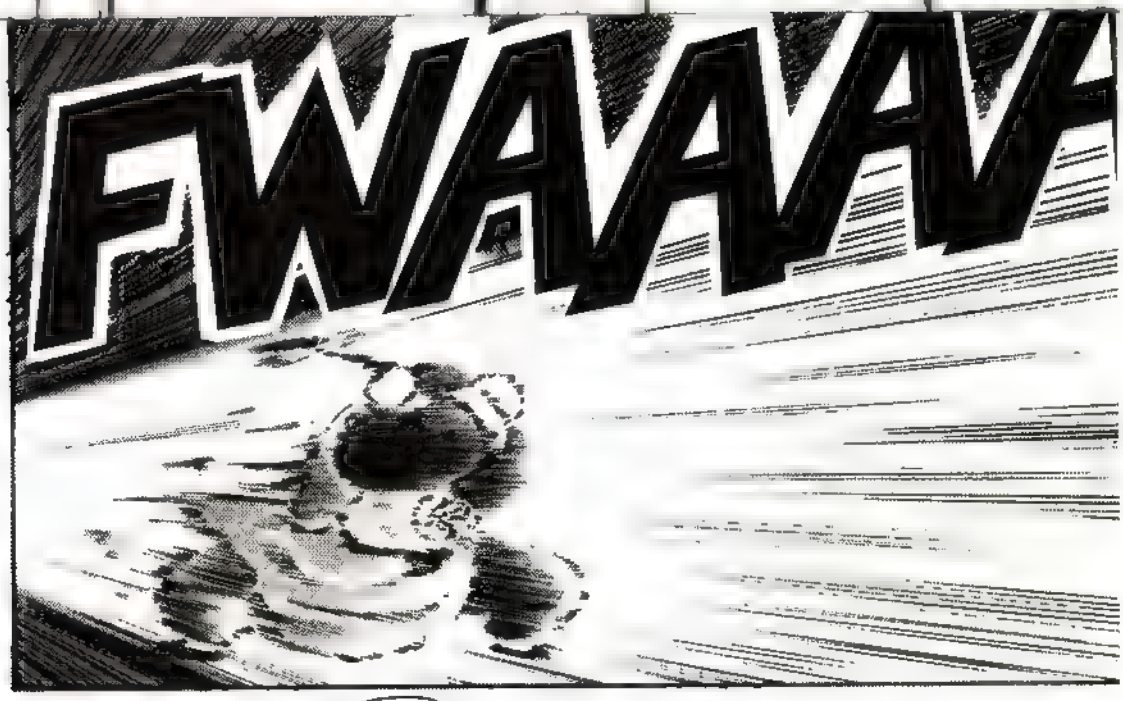
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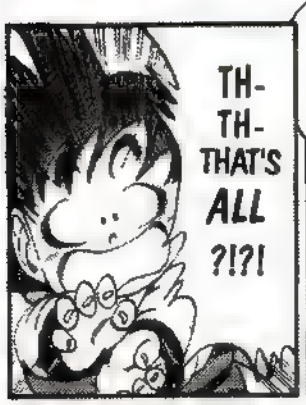
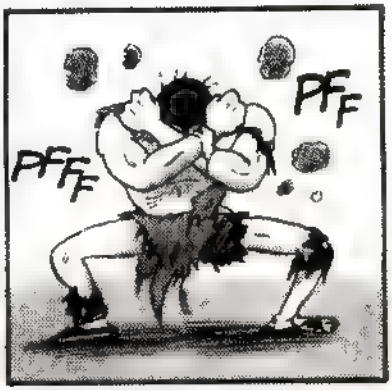

TH-TH-THAT'S ALL ?!?!

...YOU RUINED MY CLOTHES...
YOU...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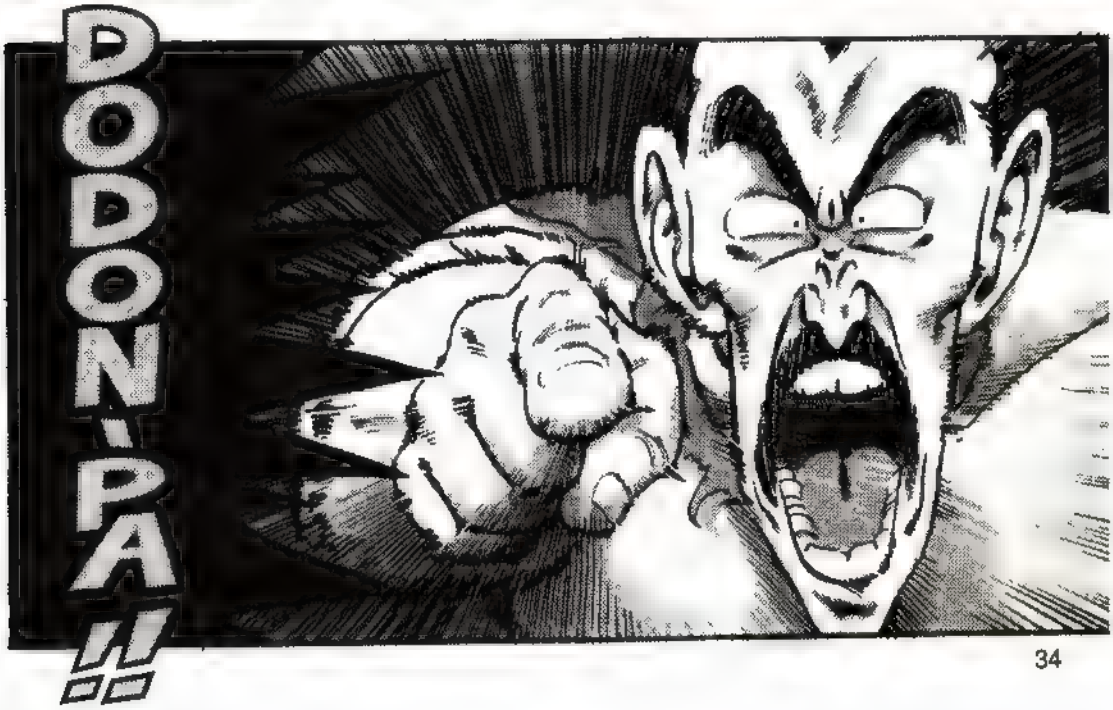
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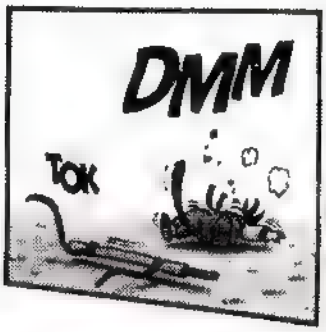
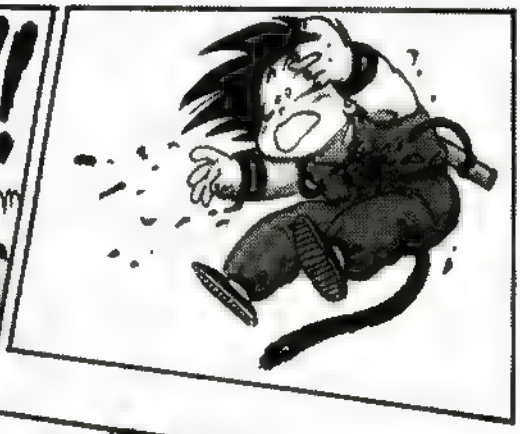
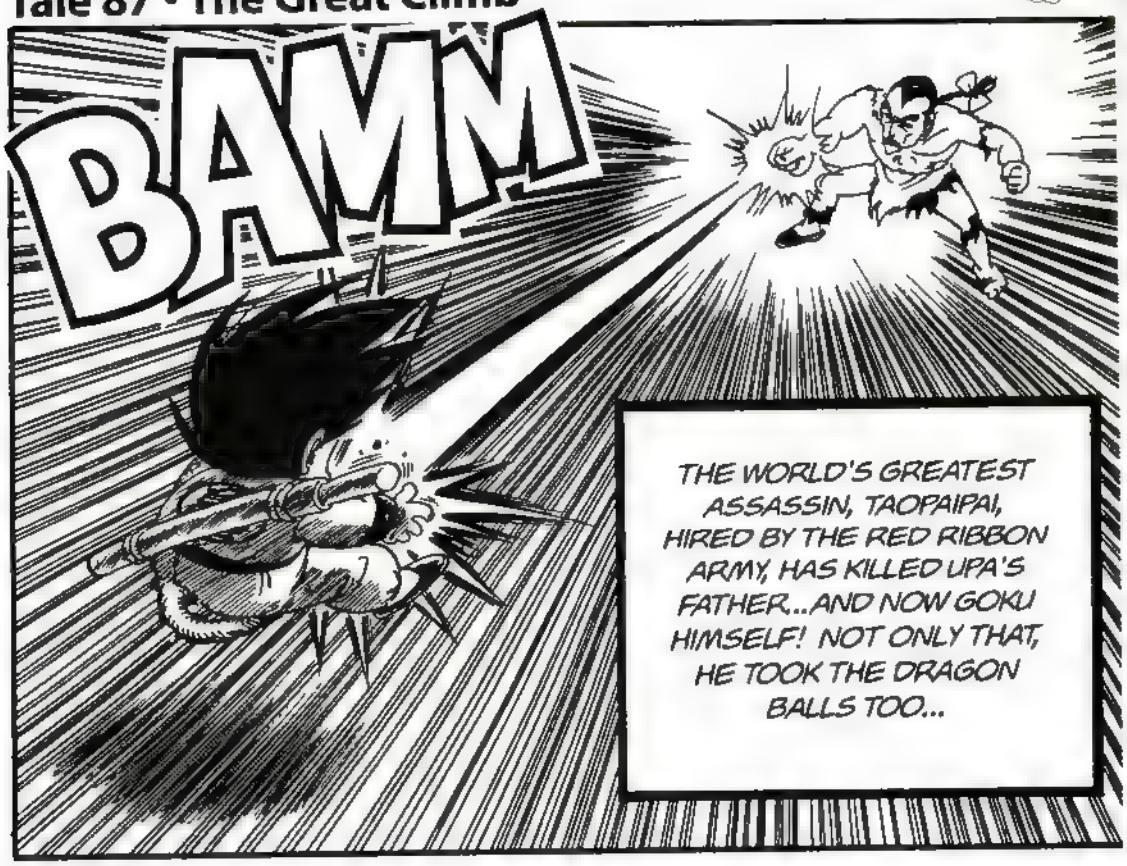
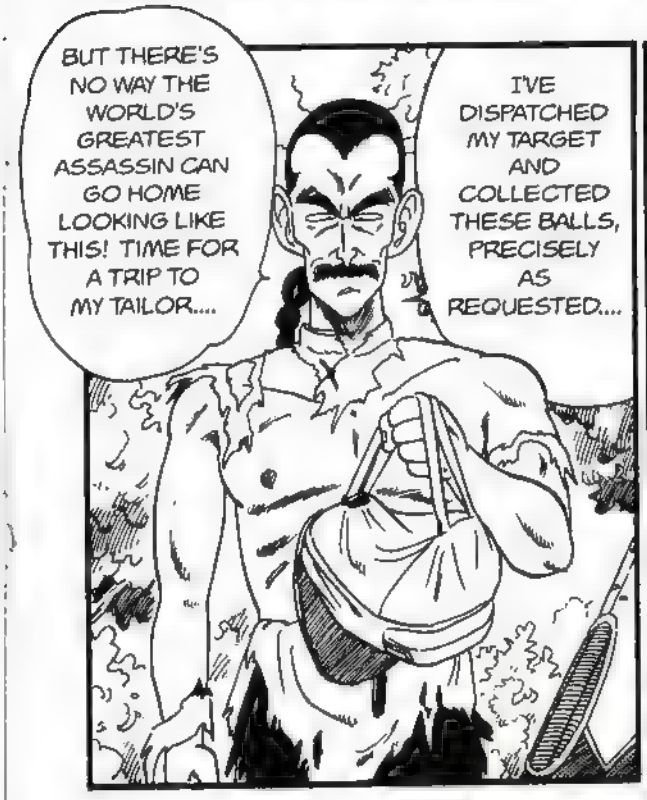
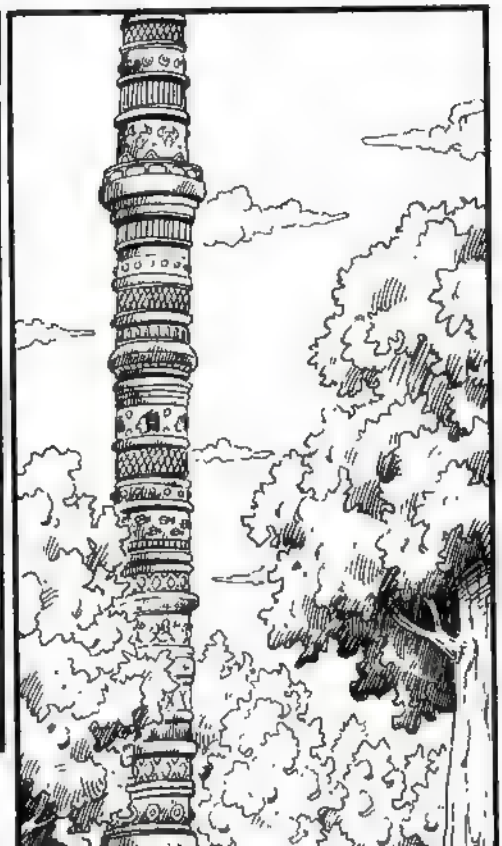


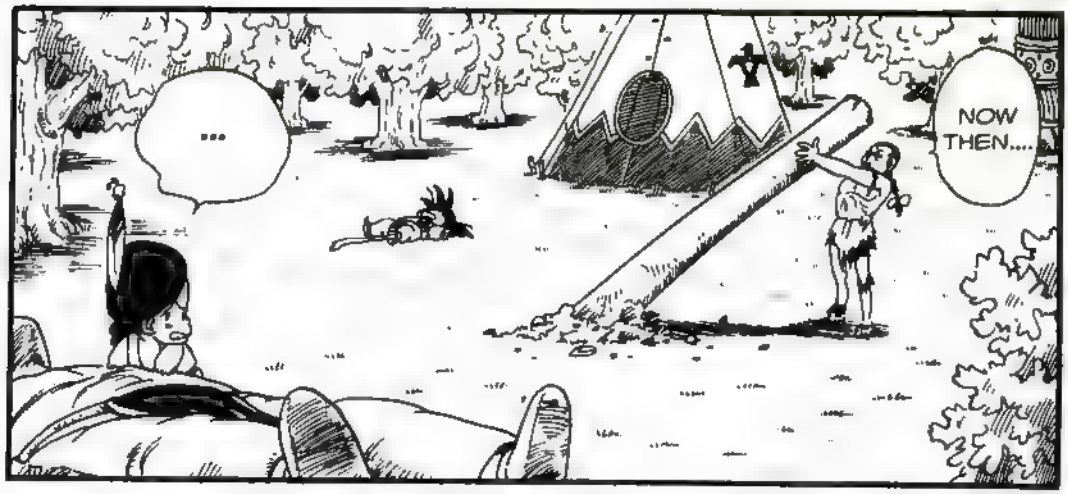


NEXT: Goku: R.I.P.?


BAMM
THE WORLD'S GREATEST ASSASSIN, TAOPAIPAI, HIRED BY THE RED RIBBON ARMY, HAS KILLED UPA'S FATHER...AND NOW GOKU HIMSELF! NOT ONLY THAT, HE TOOK THE DRAGON BALLS TOO...


BUT THERE'S NO WAY THE WORLD'S GREATEST ASSASSIN CAN GO HOME LOOKING LIKE THIS! TIME FOR A TRIP TO MY TAILOR....
I'VE DISPATCHED MY TARGET AND COLLECTED THESE BALLS, PRECISELY AS REQUESTED....

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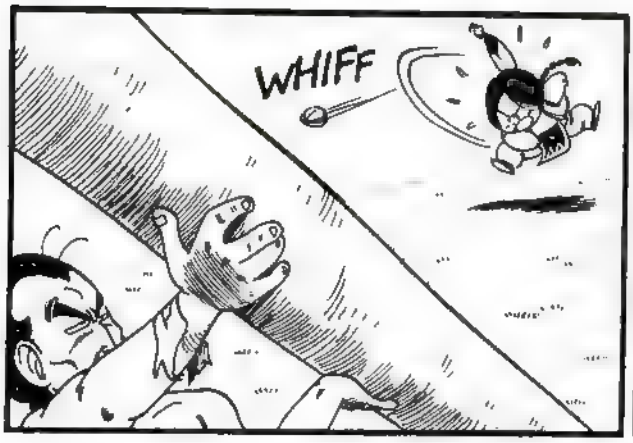
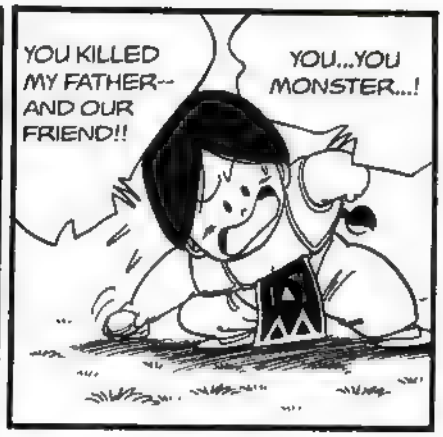
NOW THEN....


WHIFF

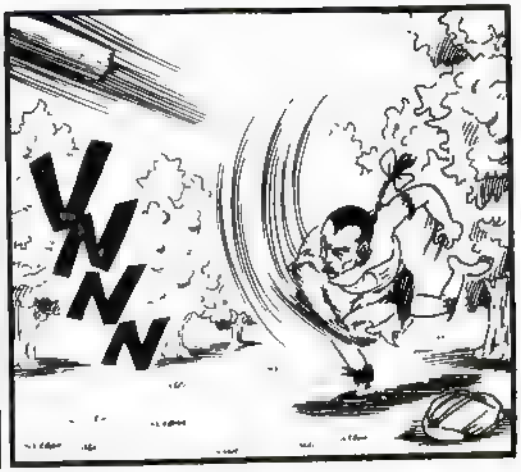

YOU KILLED MY FATHER-- AND OUR FRIEND!!
YOU...YOU MONSTER...!

KWIII
PUFF

YOU SHOULD THANK ME!
HA HA HA... DON'T YOU KNOW HOW LUCKY YOU ARE TO BE ALIVE?
YAAA! YAAA!

KONG
!!

BOING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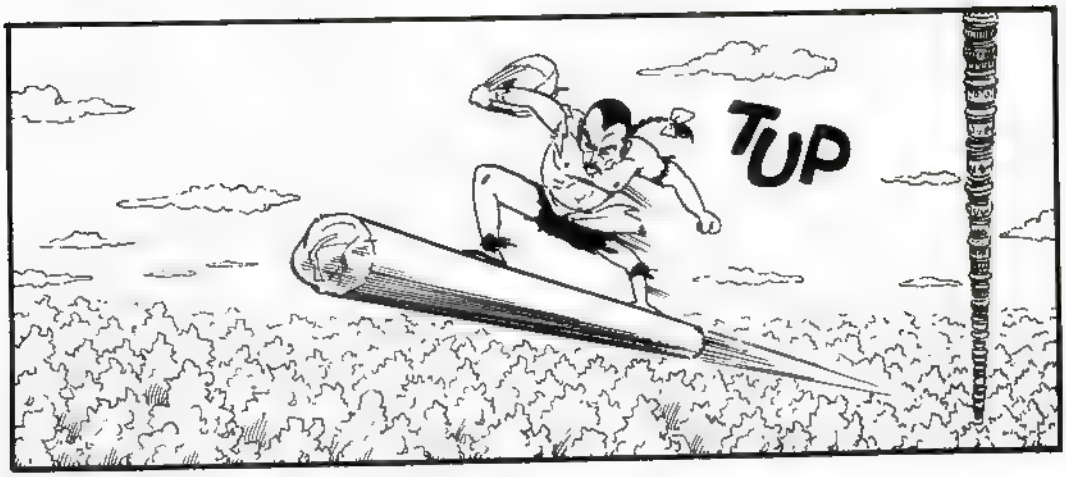
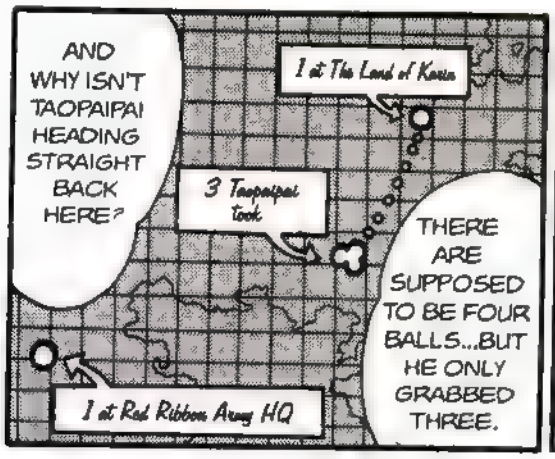

TUP

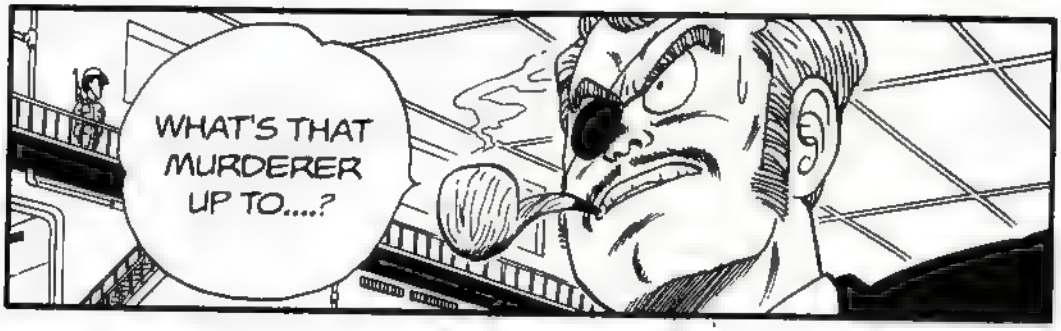
RED RIBBON ARMY HQ

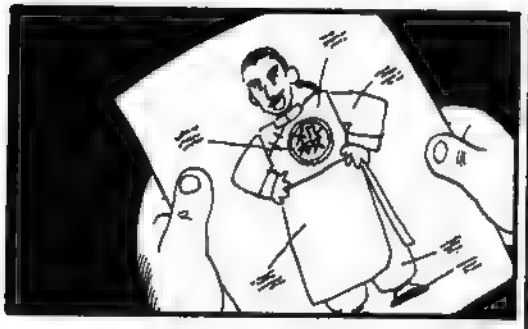
HHHOOO

IT LOOKS LIKE EVERY-THING WENT PERF----
HEH HEH HEH! LEAVE IT TO TAOPAIPAI!

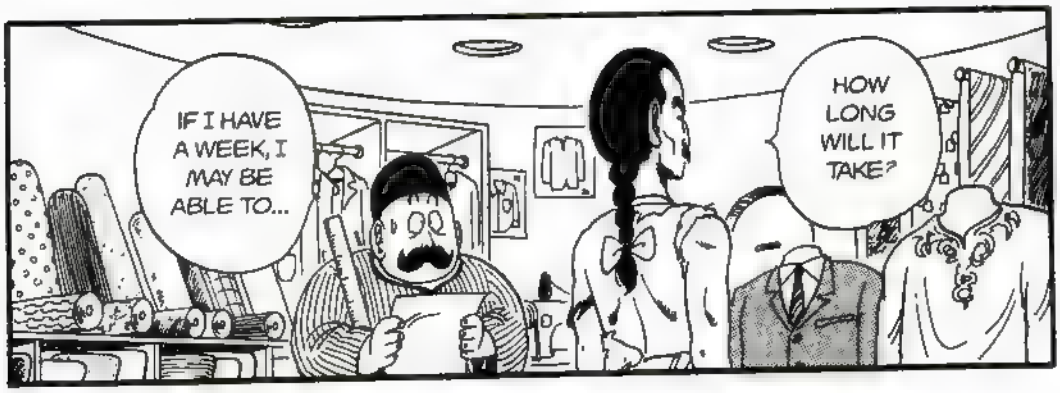

AND WHY ISN'T TAOPAIPAI HEADING STRAIGHT BACK HERE?
1 at The Land of Kaiin
3 Taopaipai took
1 at Red Ribbon Army HQ
THERE ARE SUPPOSED TO BE FOUR BALLS...BUT HE ONLY GRABBED THREE.

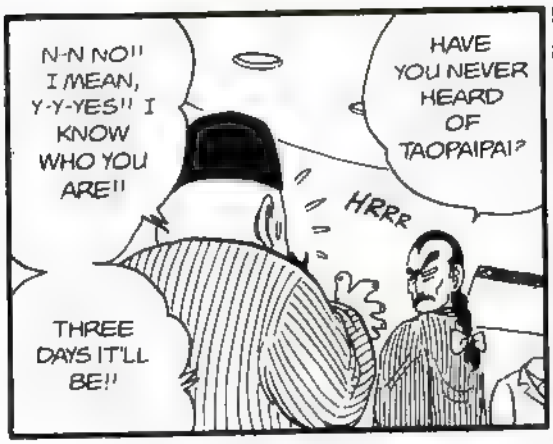
DON'T YOU NOTICE SOMETHING STRANGE.... ?
WAIT.
WHAT ?


WHAT'S THAT MURDERER UP TO....?



Y-YES, SIR!
EXACTLY AS DRAWN, DO YOU UNDER-STAND? NO MISTAKES.


IF I HAVE A WEEK, I MAY BE ABLE TO...
HOW LONG WILL IT TAKE?


N-N NO!! I MEAN, Y-Y-YES!! I KNOW WHO YOU ARE!!
HAVE YOU NEVER HEARD OF TAOPAIPAI?
HRRR
THREE DAYS IT'LL BE!!

I CAN SUFFER THIS EMBARRASSING OUTFIT NO LONGER THAN THAT.
YOU HAVE 3 DAYS.
T-THREE DAYS...? BUT....

pip
pip pip

R-R-RIGHT OVER HERE, SIR! THANK YOU!
WHERE'S YOUR PHONE?

TAOPAIPAI! WHAT THE HECK'S GOING ON?
WHAT ARE YOU DOING?

HMPH!
COMMANDER! WE'VE RECEIVED A CALL FROM MR. TAOPAIPAI!

I'VE DISPATCHED YOUR ENEMY, SO PLEASE BE SURE MY FEE IS WAITING FOR ME.
I WILL RETURN IN THREE DAYS.

MY TARGET MUST HAVE BEEN CARRYING ONE ON HIS PERSON... ALL RIGHT, I'LL RETRIEVE IT BEFORE I RETURN.

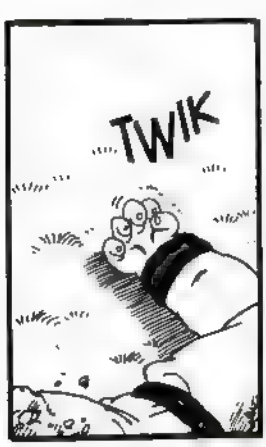
OH-HO... THERE ARE ONLY 3!
WHAT...?!

THAT'S ALL FINE AND DANDY, BUT DON'T YOU ONLY HAVE 3 OF THE SUPPOSEDLY 4 DRAGON BALLS YOU WERE GOING TO BRING BACK?!

YOU WERE WISE TO HIRE TAOPAIPAI, SIR.
SO THAT'S IT! WE'VE WON!

IN THAT CASE, TAKE YOUR TIME. AS LONG AS THAT BRAT'S DEAD, THERE SHOULDN'T BE ANY MORE INTER-FERENCE. THANKS MUCH, AND WE'LL SEE YOU IN THREE DAYS.

F-FATHER... IF ONLY I WERE STRONGER...


TWIK

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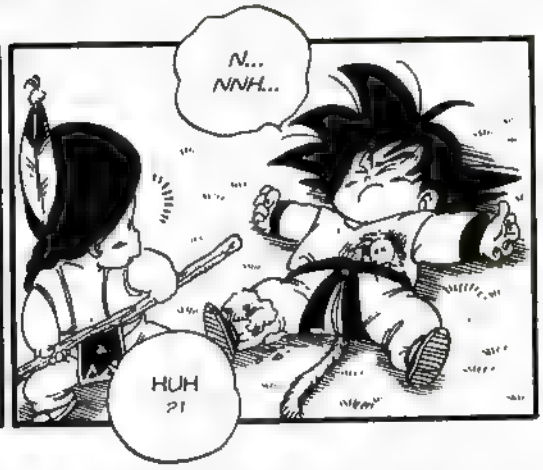
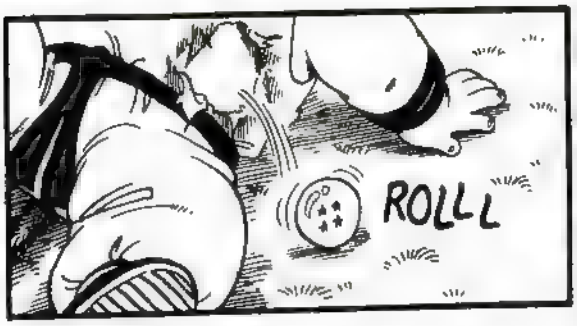
ZNCH
SNIFF... I'VE GOT TO DIG GOKU'S GRAVE TOO.

ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?! HANG IN THERE!!
Y-YOU'RE STILL ALIVE!!


N... NNH...
HUH ?!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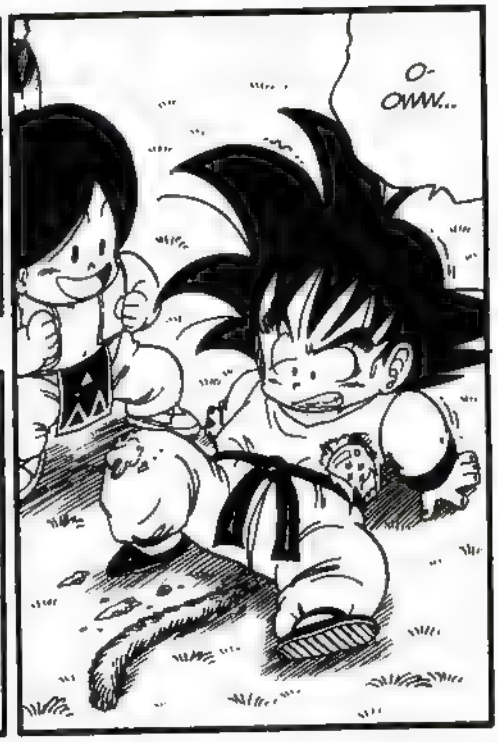
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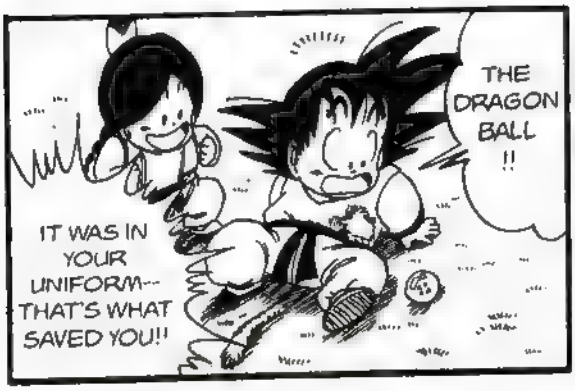
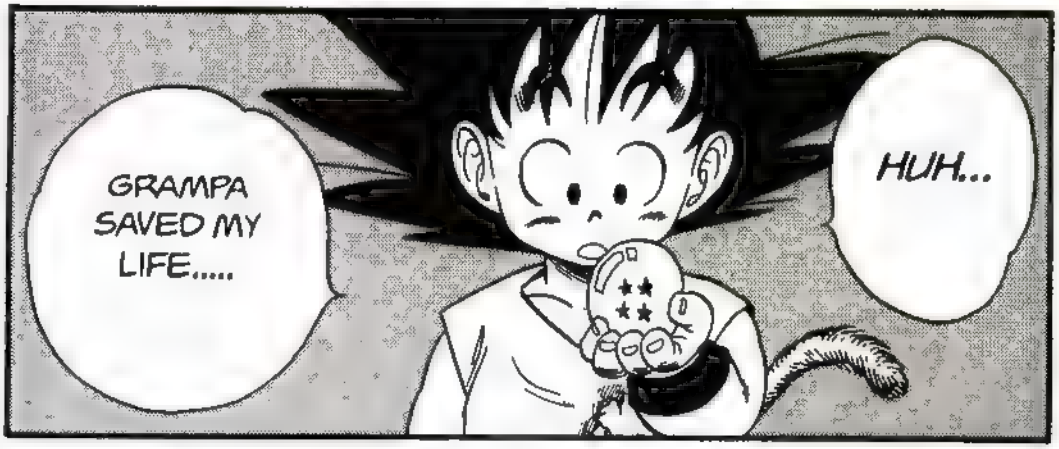
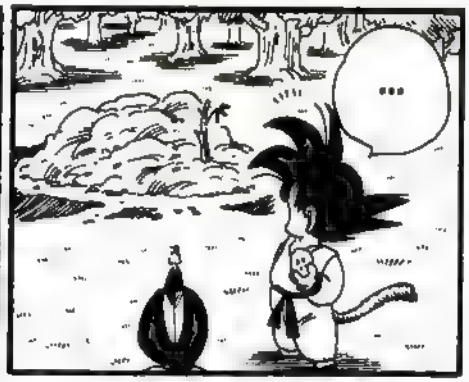

THE DRAGON BALL !!
IT WAS IN YOUR UNIFORM--- THAT'S WHAT SAVED YOU!!


GRAMPA SAVED MY LIFE.....
HUH...

YES... SNIFF....I WISH HE COULD BE STILL ALIVE TOO.....
IS THAT YOUR DAD'S GRAVE...?!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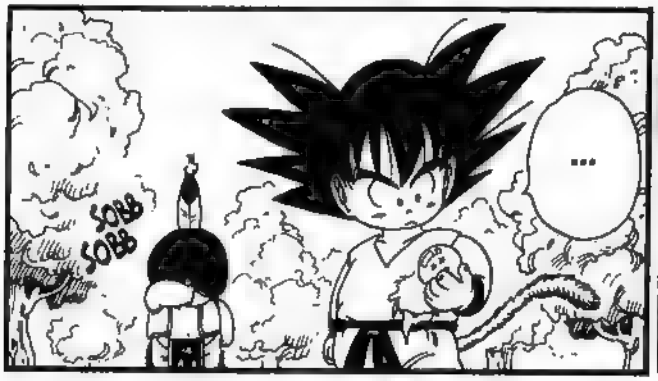

SOBB SOBB
...

I'LL GATHER ALL THE DRAGON BALLS AND BRING YOUR DAD BACK TO LIFE!!
ALL RIGHT !!!

...HMMM... HE DID, DID HE...
...BUT THAT MAN TOOK ALL OF THE BALLS THAT WERE IN YOUR BAG, GOKU...

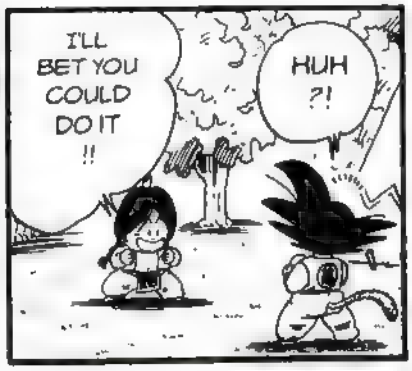
PROBABLY!! THAT DRAGON GOD IS SUPPOSED TO GIVE YOU ANY WISH !!
WHAT?! YOU CAN REALLY DO THAT?!

NO WAY I COULD BEAT HIM IN A MATCH... FIRST TIME I'VE EVER RUN INTO SOMEBODY LIKE THAT...
HE SURE IS STRONG, THOUGH...

GUESS HE DIDN'T KNOW I WAS CARRYING THIS FOUR-STAR BALL....
WELL, HE'LL PROBABLY COME BACK FOR IT.... AND WHEN HE DOES, I'M GONNA TAKE ALL THE REST BACK FROM HIM...!

I KNOW THERE IS !
RIGHT...!! AND AT THE TOP OF THE TOWER THERE'S SUPPOSED TO BE A MEDICINE THAT MAKES YOU STRONGER, HUH!?

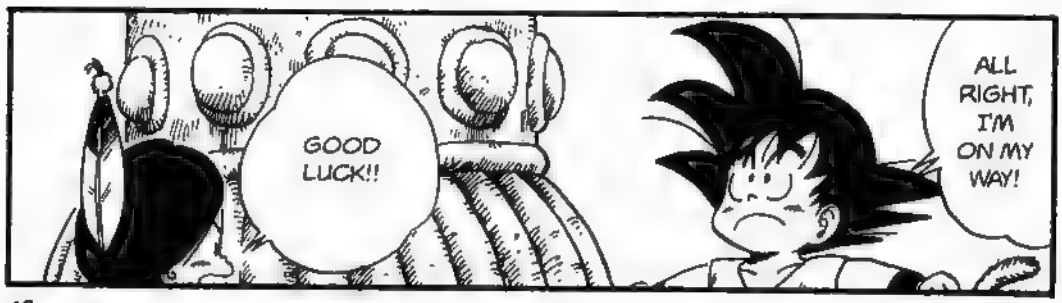
GOKU, WHY DON'T YOU TRY CLIMBING THE KARIN TOWER ?!
HEY !

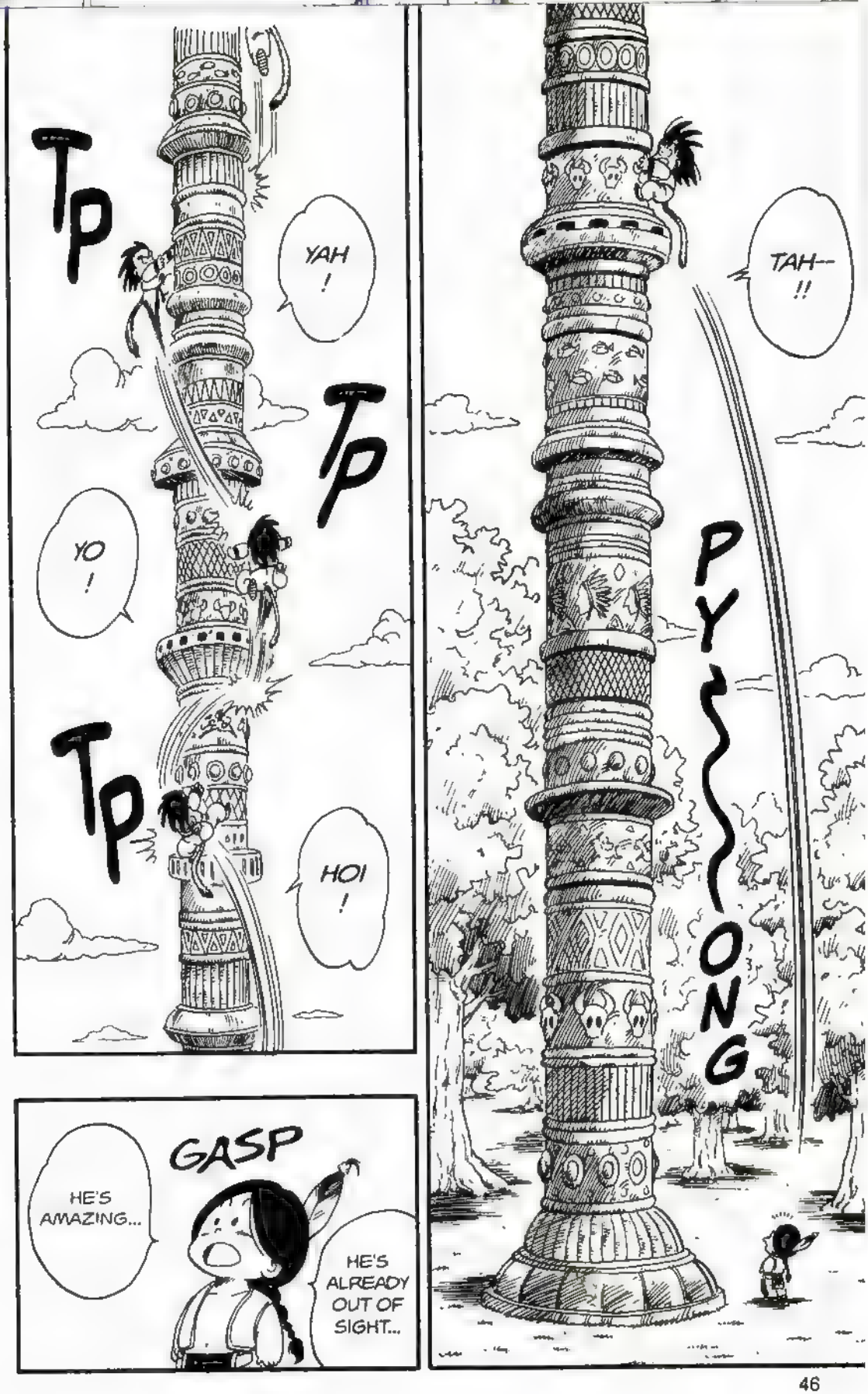

I'LL BET YOU COULD DO IT !!
HUH ?!

IT'D BE SO EASY TO USE KINTO'UN, BUT...
YOU HAVE TO CLIMB IT WITHOUT ANY HELP, RIGHT?
UH-HUH.... THE MASTER OF THE TOWER MAKES SURE....

O-KAY!! I'M GONNA TRY IT!
PLEASE DON'T FALL, GOKU!

THAT GUY'LL PROBABLY BE COMING BACK TO TAKE THIS DRAGON BALL....
SO YOU BETTER GO HIDE SOME-WHERE, OK?
OK!


ALL RIGHT, I'M ON MY WAY!
GOOD LUCK!!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YAH !
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YO !
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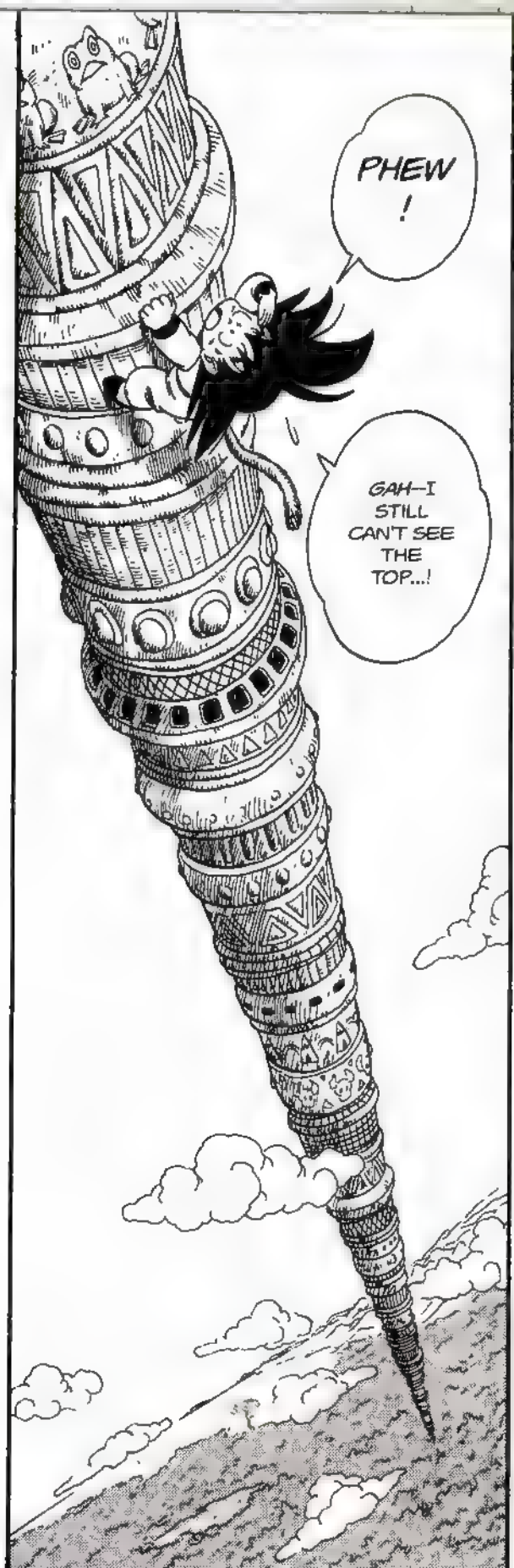
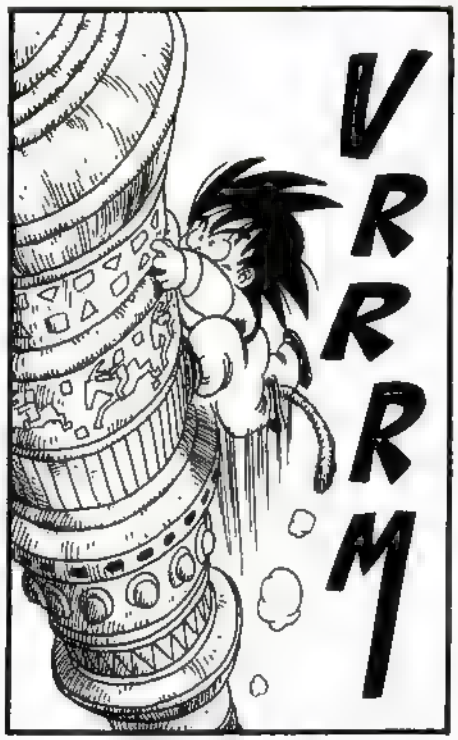
HOI !
TAH-- !!
PYONG
GASP
HE'S AMAZING...
HE'S ALREADY OUT OF SIGHT...


PHEW !
GAH—I STILL CAN'T SEE THE TOP...!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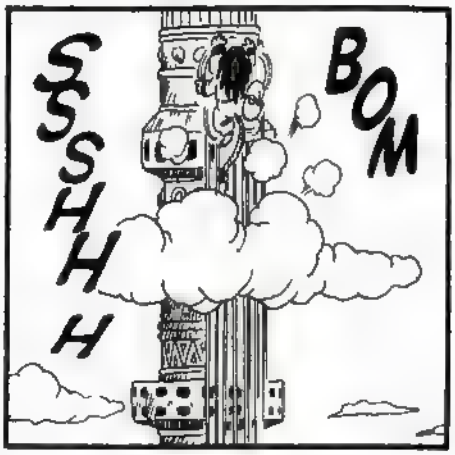
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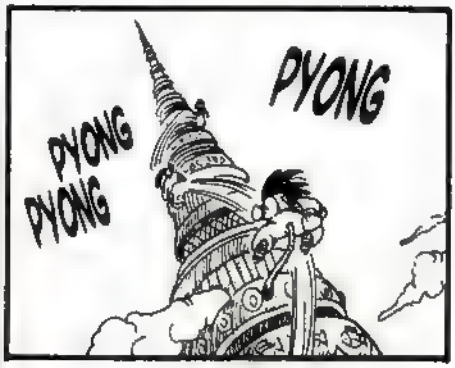
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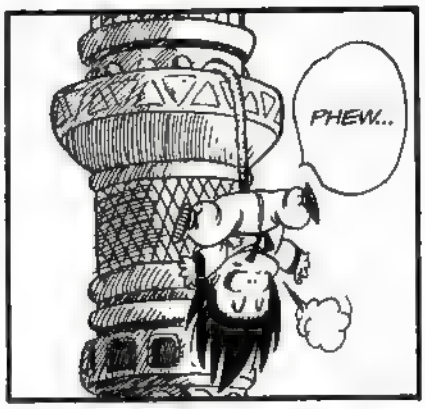
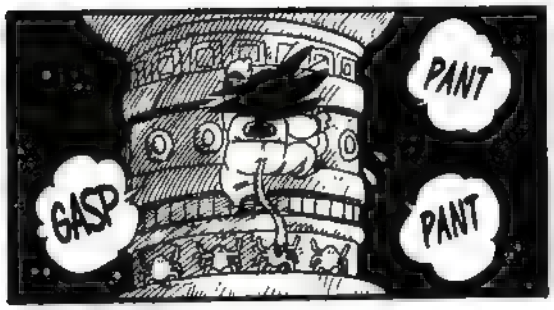
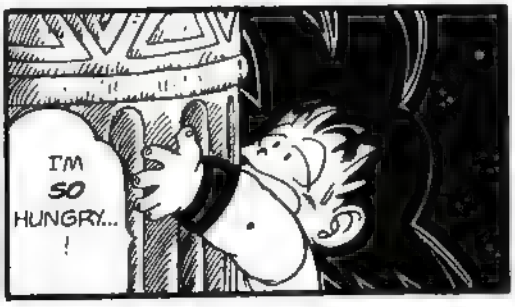
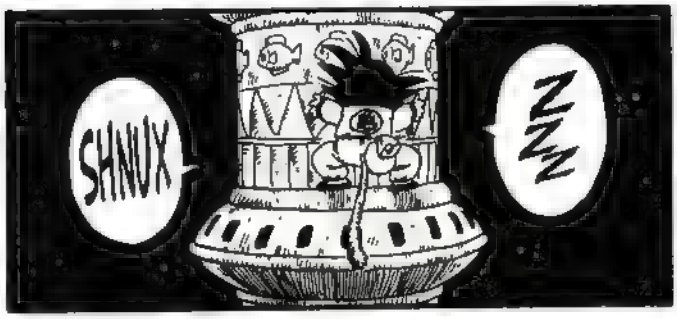
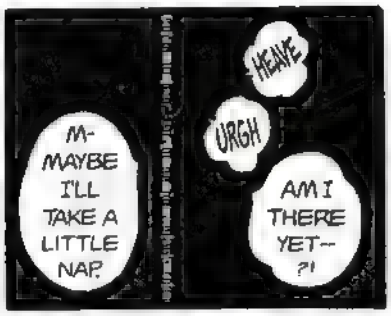
HE CLIMBED, AND CLIMBED, AND STILL HE COULD NOT SEE THE TOP OF THE KARIN TOWER....UNTIL EVENTUALLY....

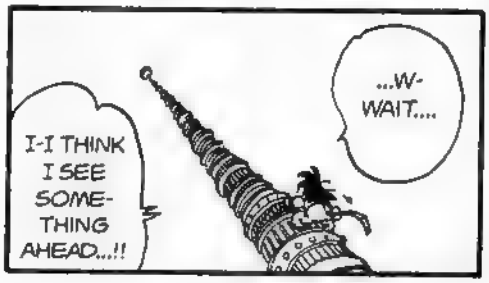


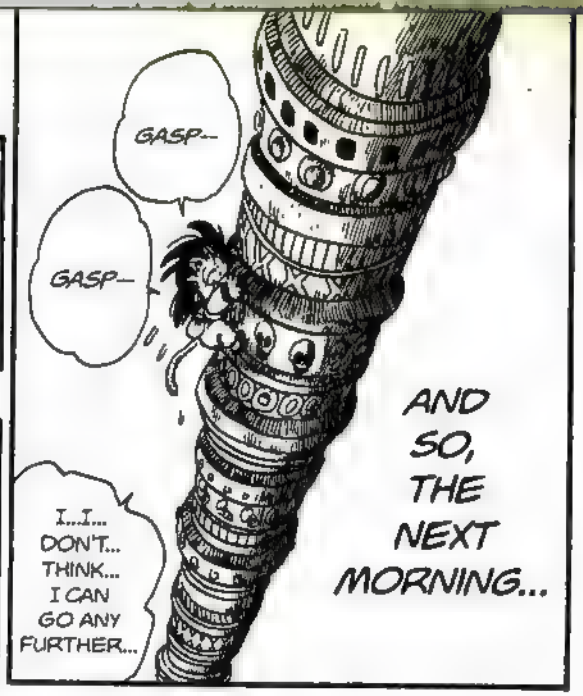


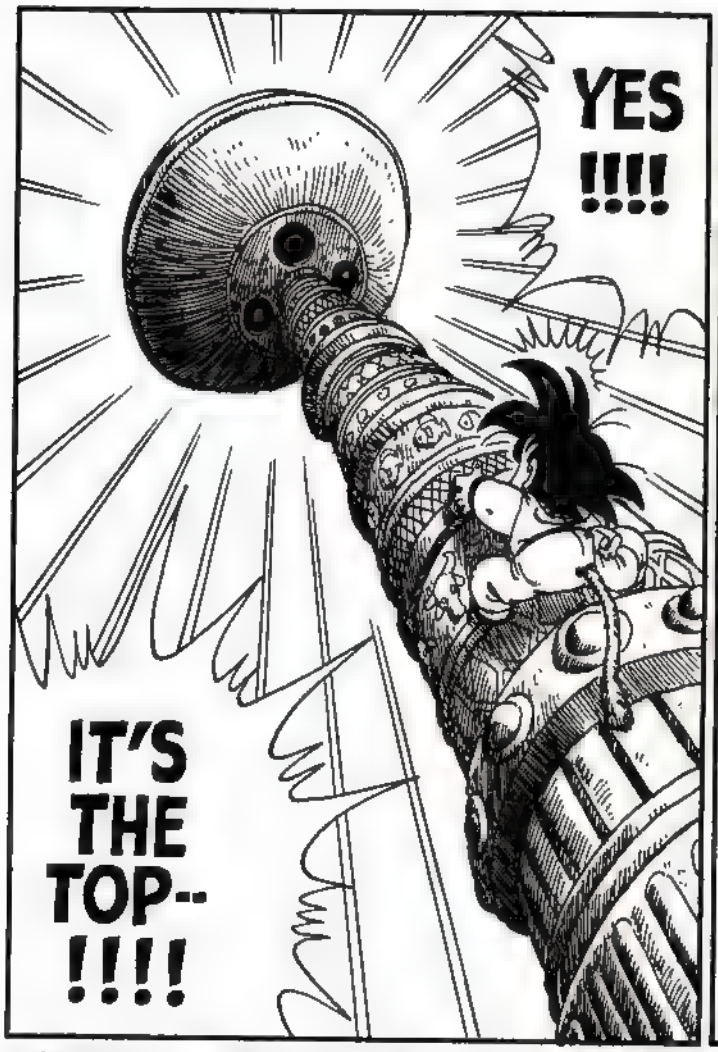


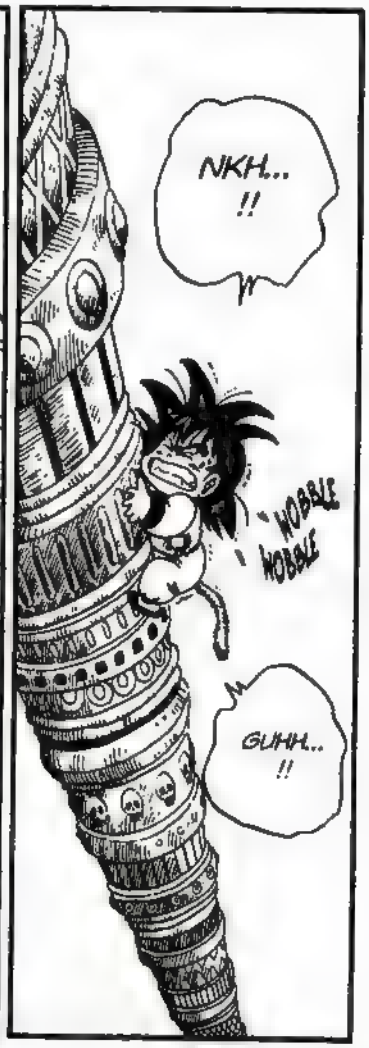












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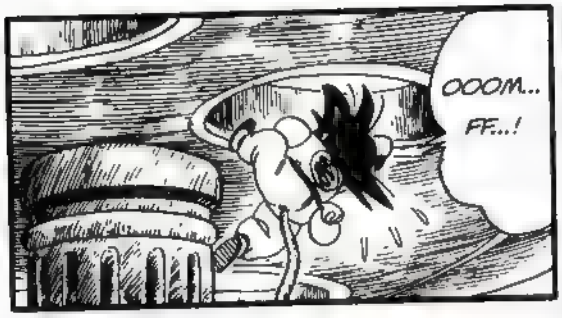
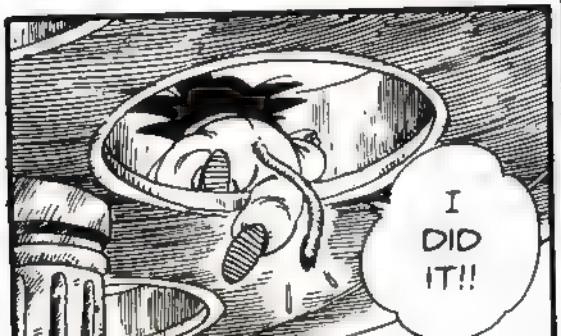
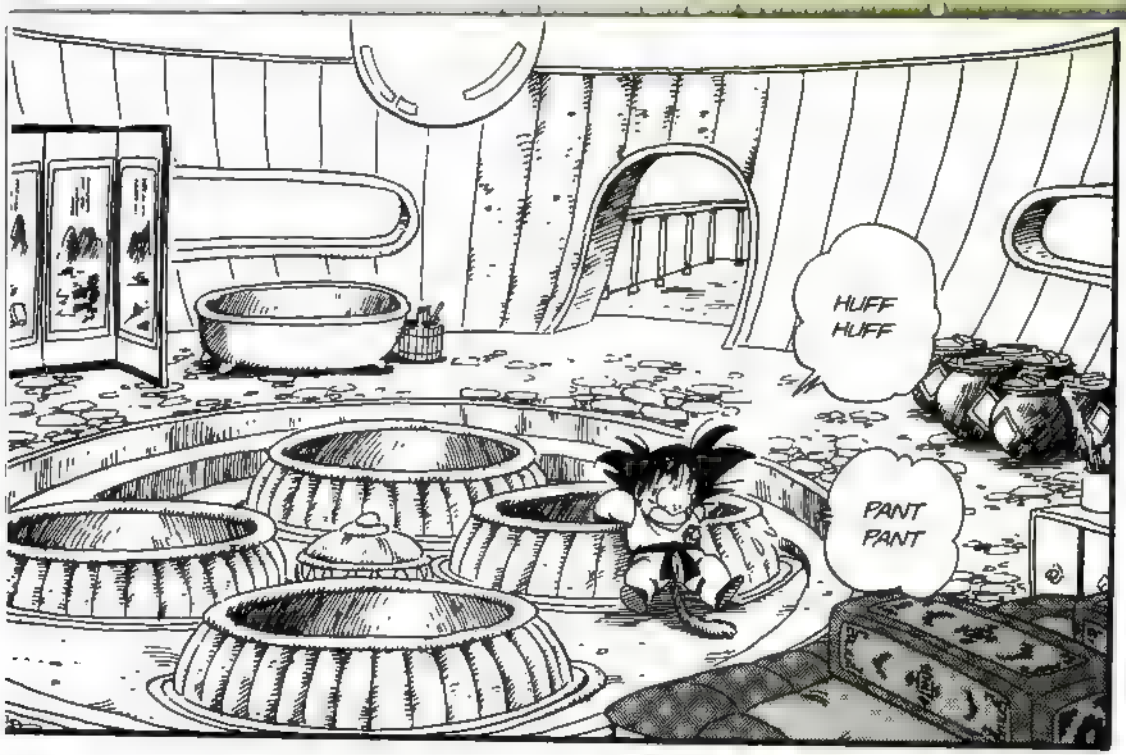
GASP

PANT

SO LONG AS HE IS UNABLE TO OVERCOME THE UNPARALLELED POWER OF TAOPAIPAI, GOKU WILL BE UNABLE TO GATHER ALL THE DRAGON BALLS, AND SO HE CLIMBS THE KARIN TOWER, HOPING TO OBTAIN THE STRENGTH-INCREASING HOLY WATER THAT LEGEND HOLDS AWAITS HIM ON TOP.....



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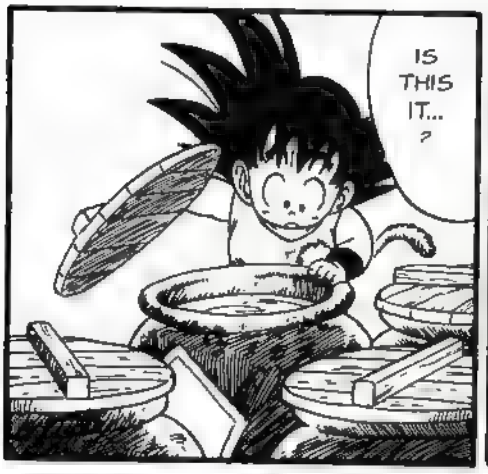
PANT PANT

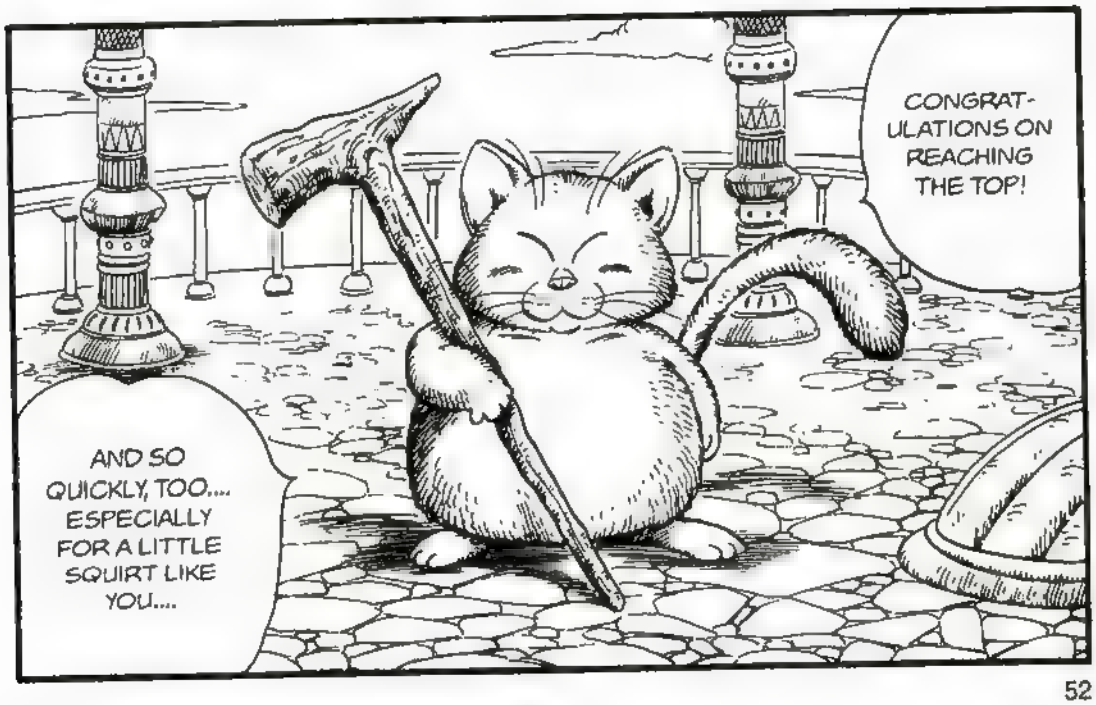

IS THIS IT...?

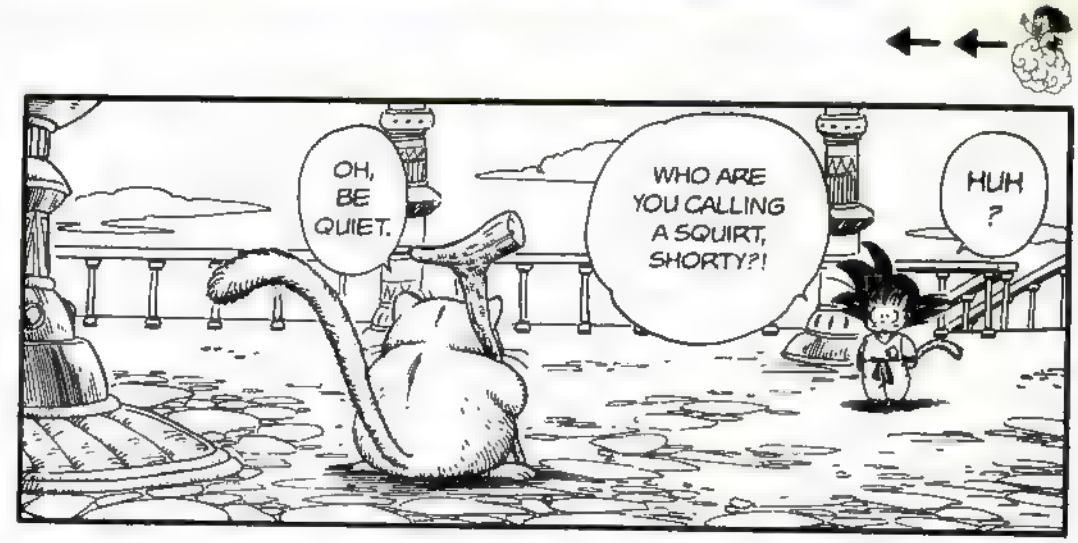
...SO WHERE'S THIS MAGIC WATER THAT'S SUPPOSED TO MAKE YOU STRONGER...?

OH, THAT'S RIGHT... HE SAID THERE WAS A HERMIT LIVING HERE....

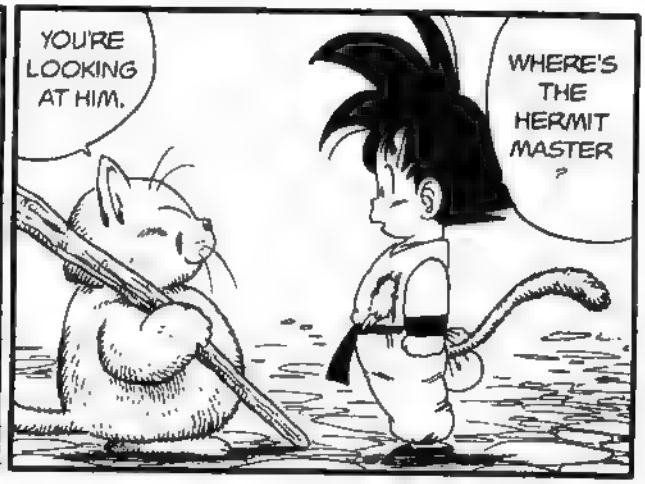
IT'S UP HERE-- COME ON UP!
HUH ?

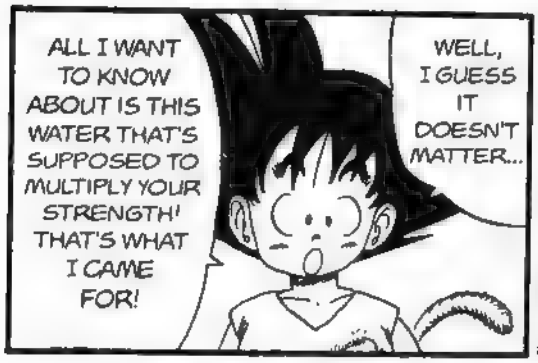
HEY-- MR. HERMIT MASTER! GIMME SOME WATER, PLEASE!

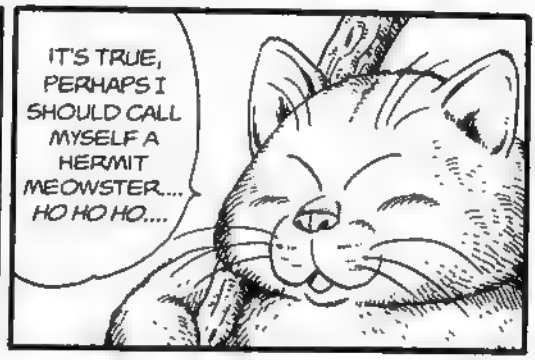


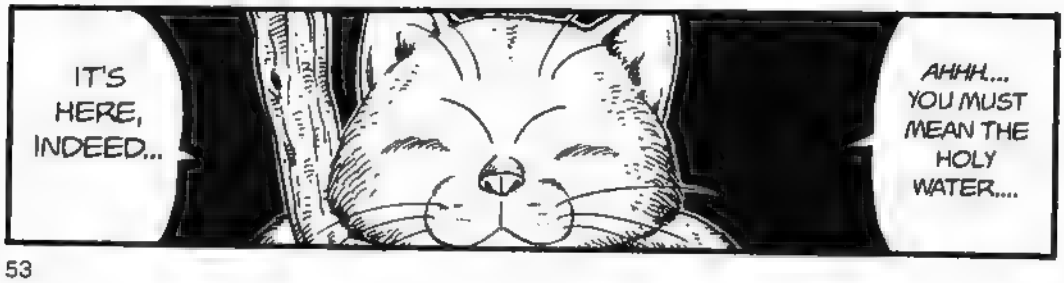

OH, BE QUIET.
WHO ARE YOU CALLING A SQUIRT, SHORTY?!
HUH ?

NOT WHAT YOU EXPECTED ?
WHAT?! YOU'RE THE HERMIT MASTER?!


YOU'RE LOOKING AT HIM.
WHERE'S THE HERMIT MASTER ?

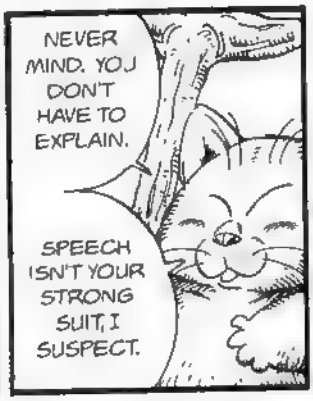

ALL I WANT TO KNOW ABOUT IS THIS WATER THAT'S SUPPOSED TO MULTIPLY YOUR STRENGTH! THAT'S WHAT I CAME FOR!
WELL, I GUESS IT DOESN'T MATTER...


IT'S TRUE, PERHAPS I SHOULD CALL MYSELF A HERMIT MEOWSTER.... HO HO HO....


IT'S HERE, INDEED...
AHHH... YOU MUST MEAN THE HOLY WATER....

...IN THAT FLASK, SITTING RIGHT ON TOP OF THAT PODIUM....

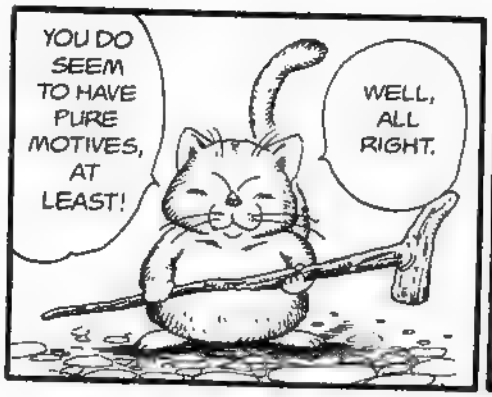
REALLY! YOU DON'T HAVE TO SAY A WORD!
I DON'T HAVE TO...? BUT YOU'RE THE ONE WHO ASKED!

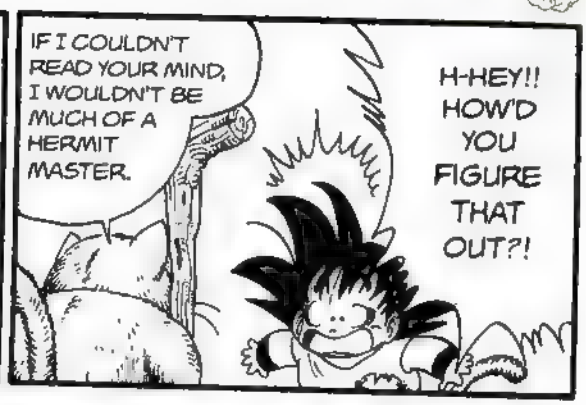

NEVER MIND. YOU DON'T HAVE TO EXPLAIN.
SPEECH ISN'T YOUR STRONG SUIT, I SUSPECT.

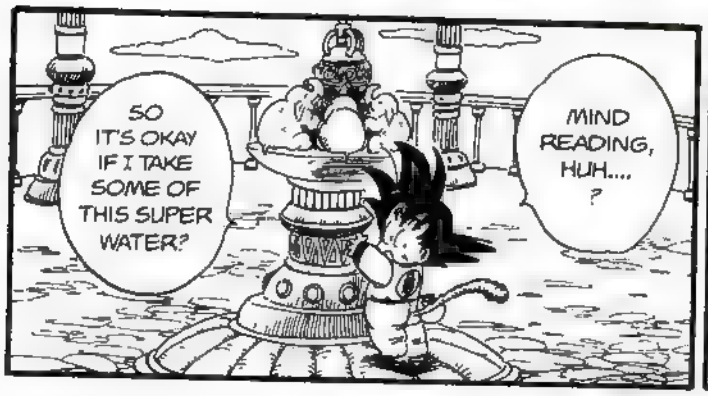
WELL, YOU SEE, MY GRAMPA...
BUT WAIT... DO YOU SEEK FURTHER STRENGTH? YOU MUST BE AWFULLY STRONG AS IT IS.

...

YOU MUST FIRST DEFEAT THIS KILLER NAMED TAOPAIPAI...
IN ORDER TO GATHER THE DRAGON BALLS AND REVIVE UPA'S FATHER...
I SEE--

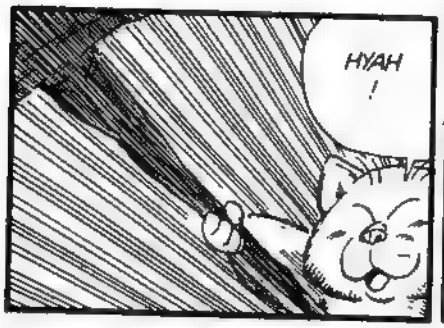

YOU DO SEEM TO HAVE PURE MOTIVES, AT LEAST!
WELL, ALL RIGHT.


IF I COULDN'T READ YOUR MIND, I WOULDN'T BE MUCH OF A HERMIT MASTER.
H-HEY!! HOW'D YOU FIGURE THAT OUT?!

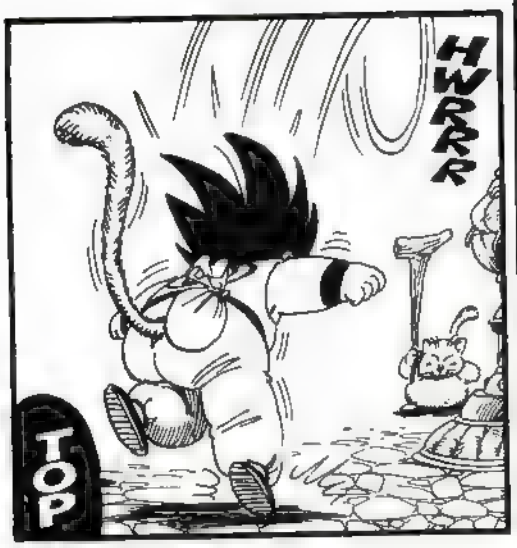

SO IT'S OKAY IF I TAKE SOME OF THIS SUPER WATER?
MIND READING, HUH.... ?

WOW...

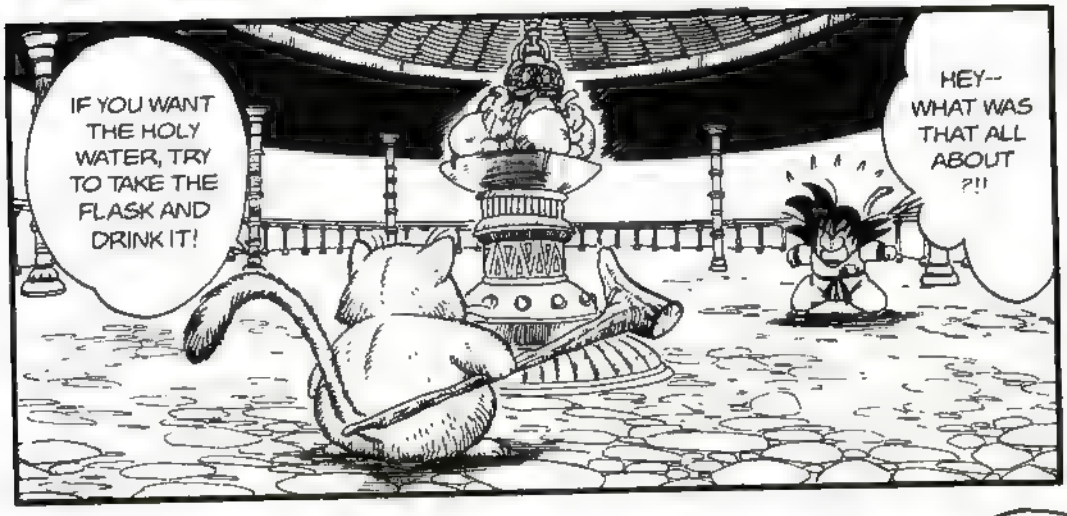
PREVENT ?
NOT REALLY, NO. IT'S JUST THAT I'M GOING TO PREVENT YOU FROM DRINKING.


HYAH !

I'LL BE HAPPY TO GIVE YOU SOME... BUT DO YOU THINK YOU'LL BE ABLE TO DRINK IT?
HUH? DOES IT TASTE THAT BAD?!


HWRRR
TOP

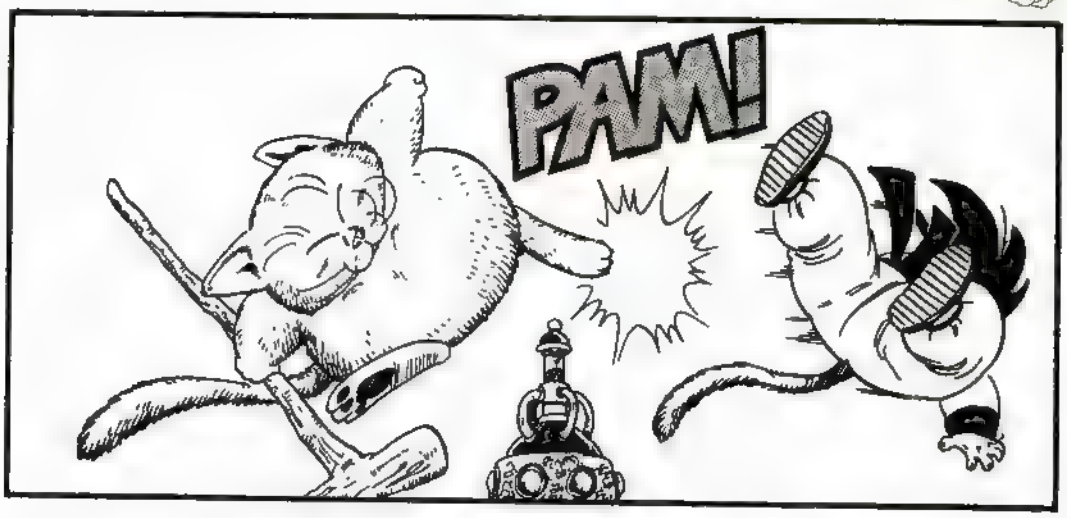
WAAH !!
DOM


IF YOU WANT THE HOLY WATER, TRY TO TAKE THE FLASK AND DRINK IT!
HEY-- WHAT WAS THAT ALL ABOUT ?!!

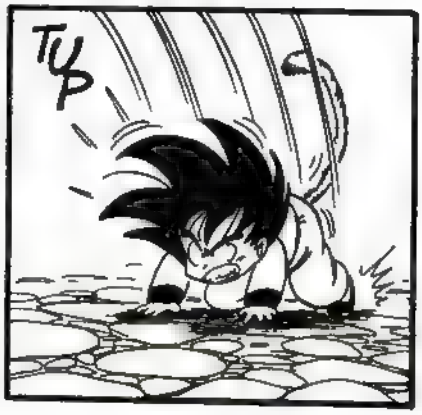
SSHHH

HYUUUNN

OKAY THEN.... !!!
GEEZ YOU'RE ANNOYING...


PAM!

I'M NO CHEAPSKATE-- BUT IN ORDER TO DRINK THE HOLY WATER, FIRST YOU MUST PROVE YOU ARE WORTHY OF IT-- IN COMBAT!!
YOU CHEAP-SKATE!! I THOUGHT YOU SAID I COULD DRINK IT!!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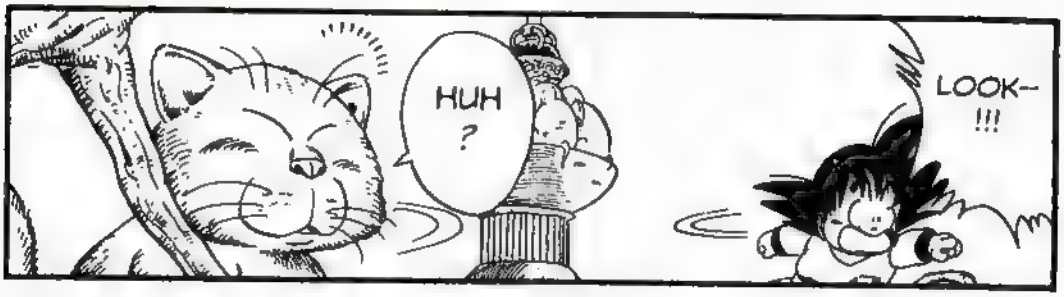
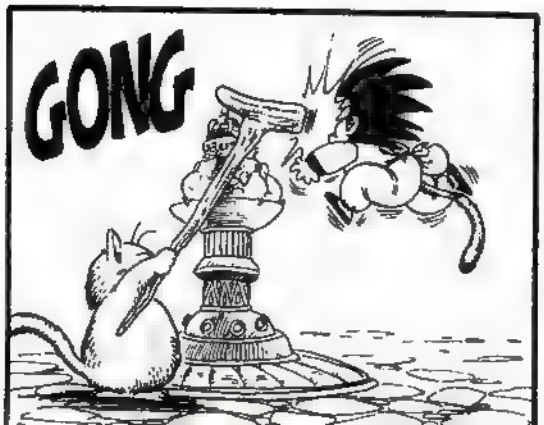

HUH ?
LOOK-- !!!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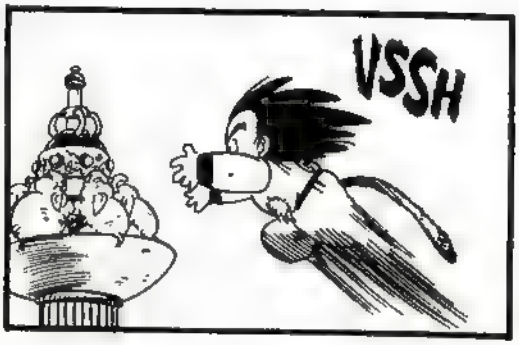
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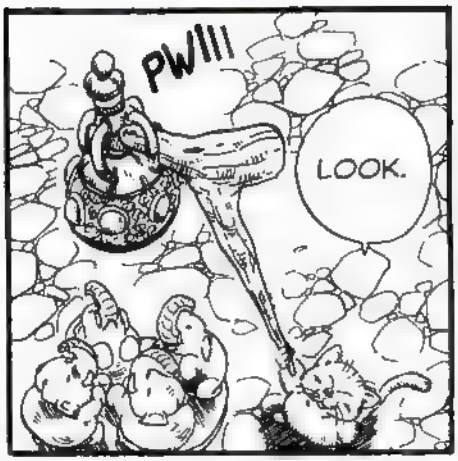
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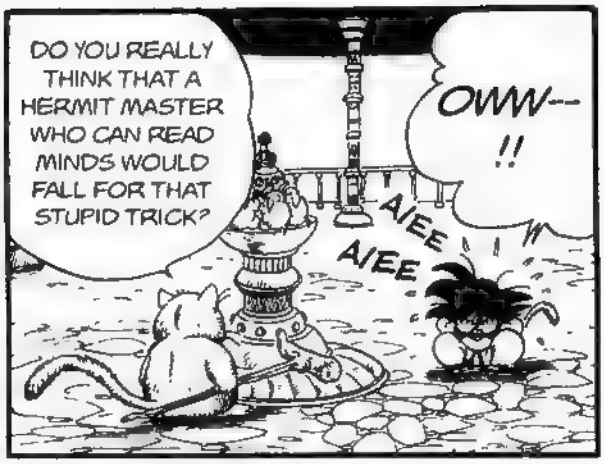
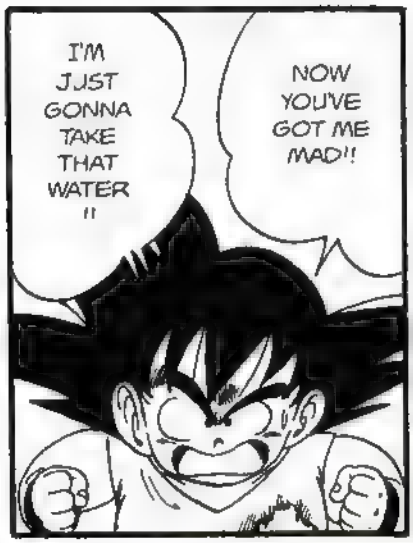
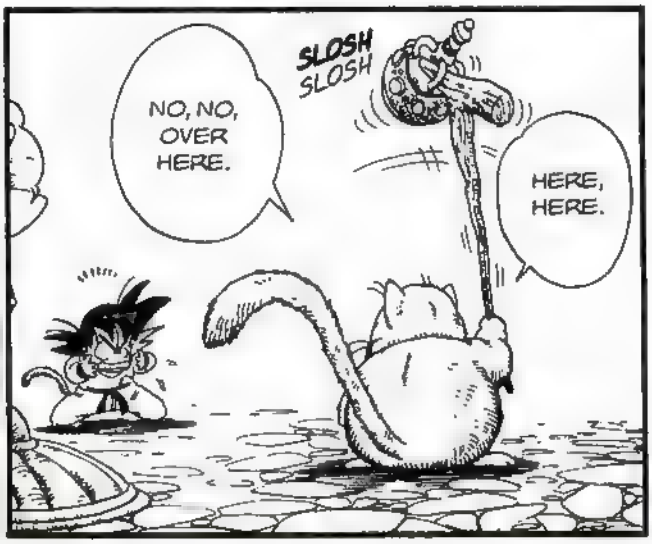
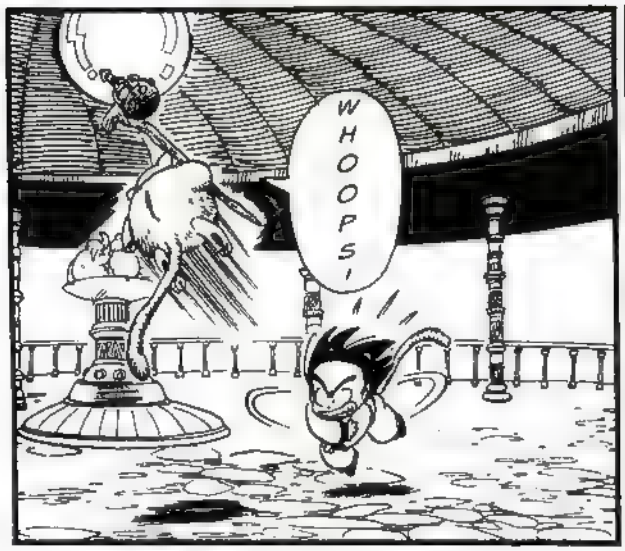
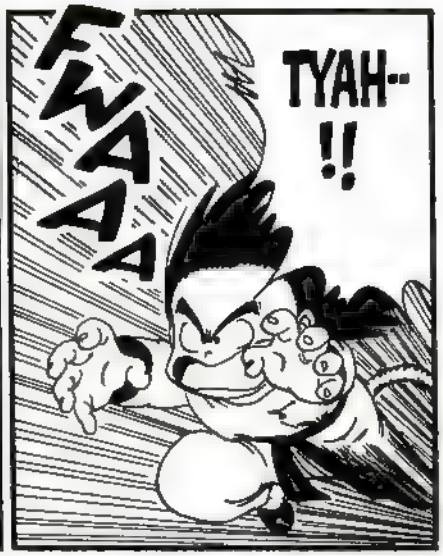
LOOK.


DO YOU REALLY THINK THAT A HERMIT MASTER WHO CAN READ MINDS WOULD FALL FOR THAT STUPID TRICK?
OWW-- !!
AIEE
AIEE

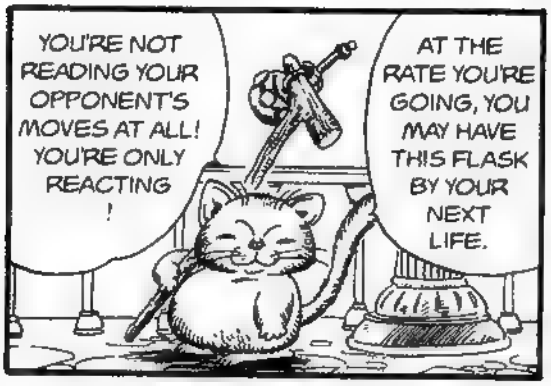

I'M JUST GONNA TAKE THAT WATER !!
NOW YOU'VE GOT ME MAD!!


NO, NO, OVER HERE.
SLOSH SLOSH
HERE, HERE.


WHOOPS!

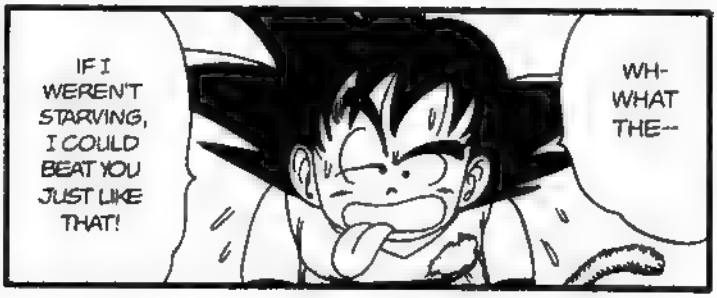

FWAAA
TYAH-- !!

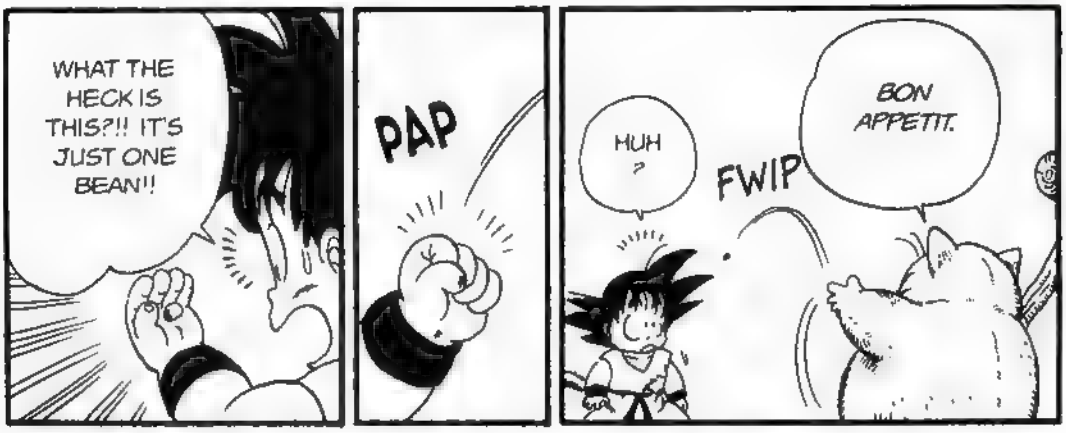
WHOOPS!
NYAH NYAH
HA!
WHOOPS!
CATCH ME IF YOU CAN--

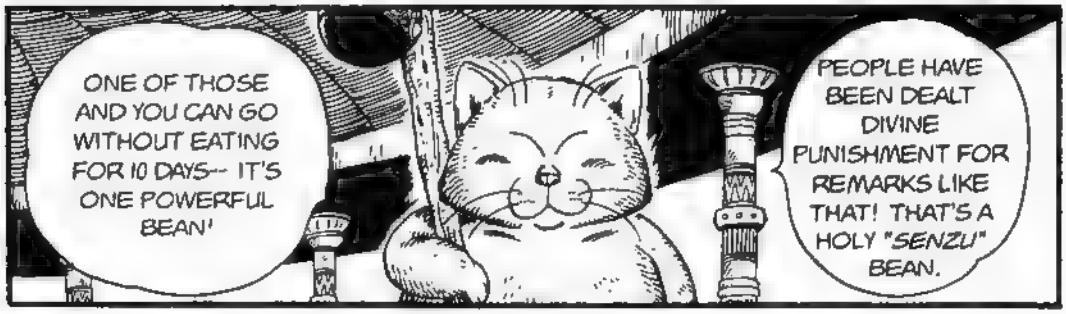

YOU'RE NOT READING YOUR OPPONENT'S MOVES AT ALL! YOU'RE ONLY REACTING!
AT THE RATE YOU'RE GOING, YOU MAY HAVE THIS FLASK BY YOUR NEXT LIFE.

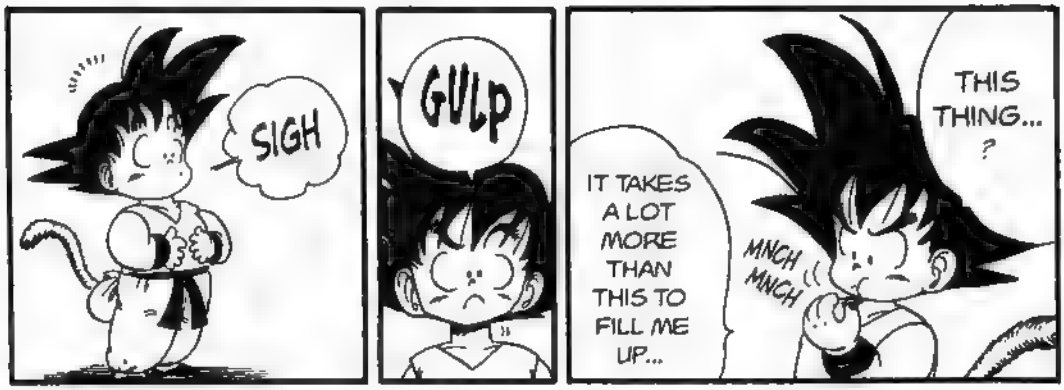
H- HE'S FAST...!!
PANT PANT

WELL THEN, I'LL LET YOU EAT.
OH?


IF I WEREN'T STARVING, I COULD BEAT YOU JUST LIKE THAT!
WH- WHAT THE--


WHAT THE HECK IS THIS?!! IT'S JUST ONE BEAN!!
PAP
HUH ?
FWIP
BON APPETIT.


ONE OF THOSE AND YOU CAN GO WITHOUT EATING FOR 10 DAYS-- IT'S ONE POWERFUL BEAN!
PEOPLE HAVE BEEN DEALT DIVINE PUNISHMENT FOR REMARKS LIKE THAT! THAT'S A HOLY "SENZU" BEAN.

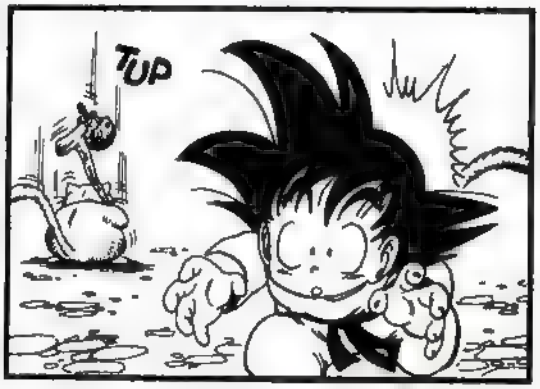

SIGH
GULP
IT TAKES A LOT MORE THAN THIS TO FILL ME UP...
MNCH MNCH
THIS THING... ?

HEH HEH HEH! YOUR LOSS! NOW THAT MY STOMACH'S FULL, THE FLASK IS MINE!
TSK TSK. POOR ME.
I-IT'S TRUE!! I CAN'T BELIEVE IT... !!
WH-WHAT THE-- ?!!

WHOOPS !
SSHHH

NOW !!!
NNNN

WH-WHAT INCREDIBLE SPEED...!
YIKES--- !!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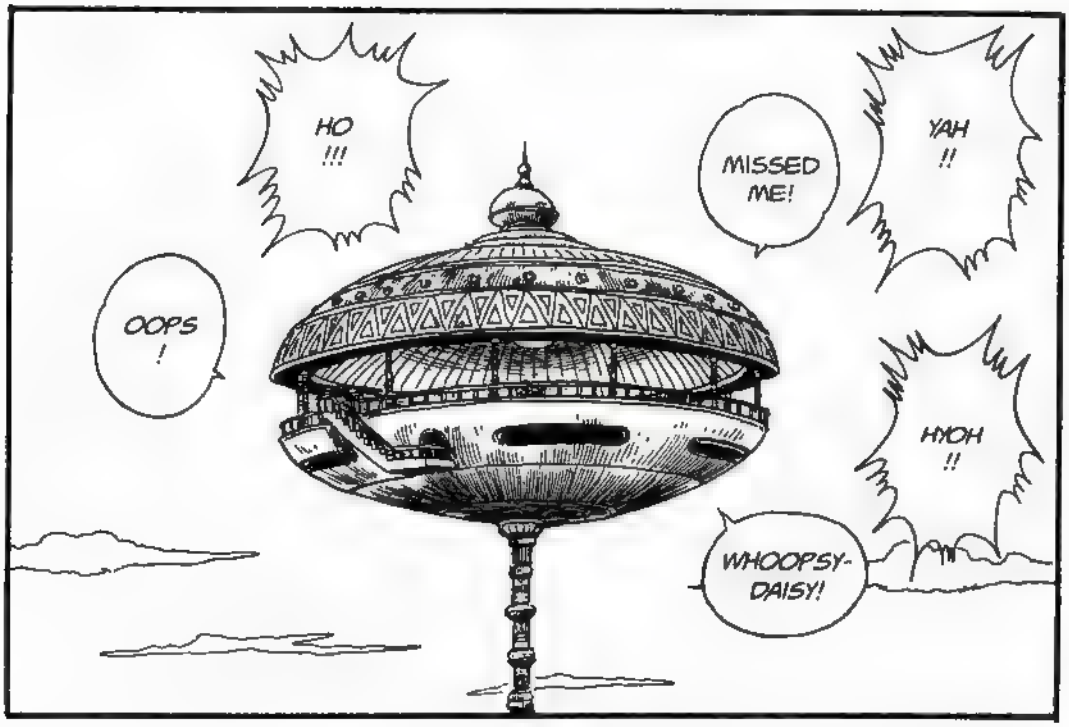
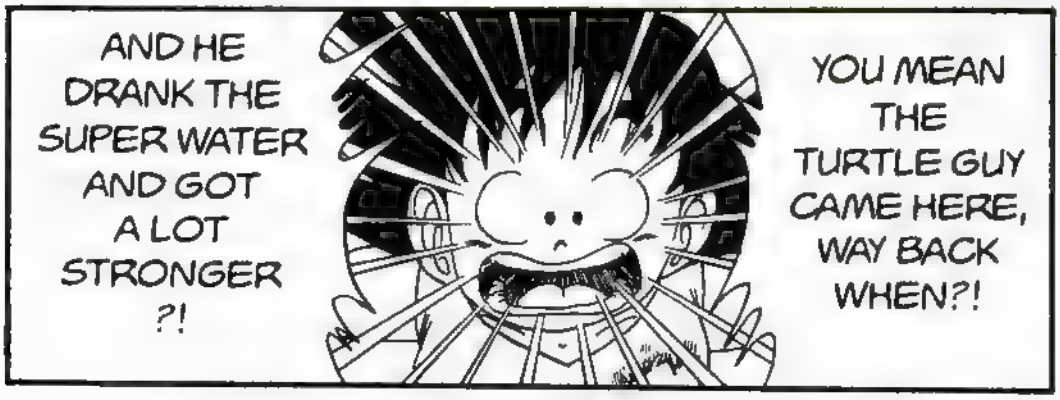
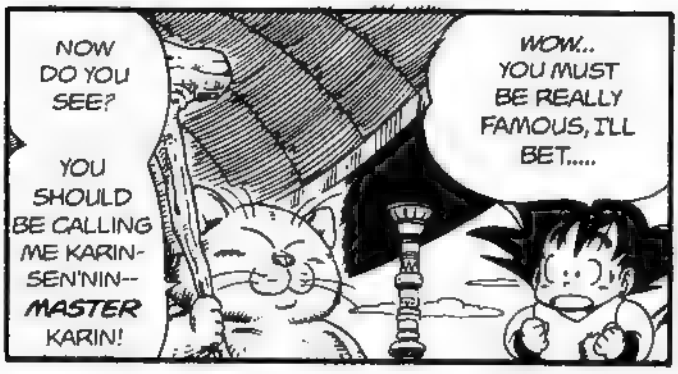
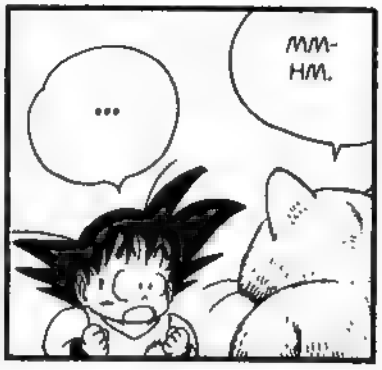
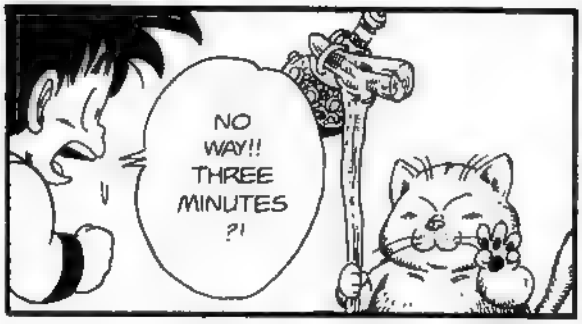

HO !!!
MISSED ME!
YAH !!
OOPS !
HYOH !!
WHOOPSY-DAISY!

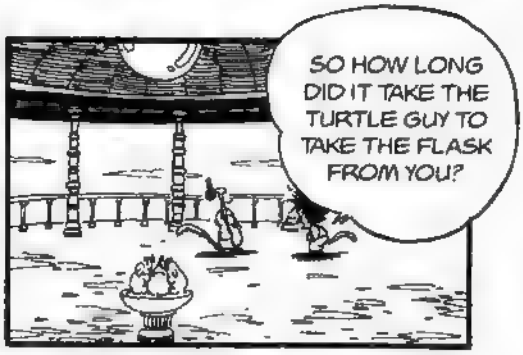
H-HEY...AM I THE...FIRST ONE TO CLIMB UP HERE...?
WHAT-- TIRED ALREADY ?
GASP GASP
PANT PANT
LET'S JUST SAY...800 SOME-THING.
H-HOW OLD ARE YOU?
ABOUT 300 YEARS AGO, THERE WAS ONE OTHER WHO WAS ABLE TO SCALE THE TOWER.
OH NO, YOU'RE NOT THE FIRST.
...WAS YOUR MENTOR.
THE ONE OTHER FELLOW WHO WAS ABLE TO SCALE THE TOWER....
YOU SHOULD RESPECT ME!
MAN.... YOU ARE OLD!!
YOUR MASTER IS THE MUTEN-RÔSHI, ISN'T HE?
I CAN TELL BY OBSERVING YOUR MOVES.
WHAT DO YOU MEAN ?!
HUH ?!

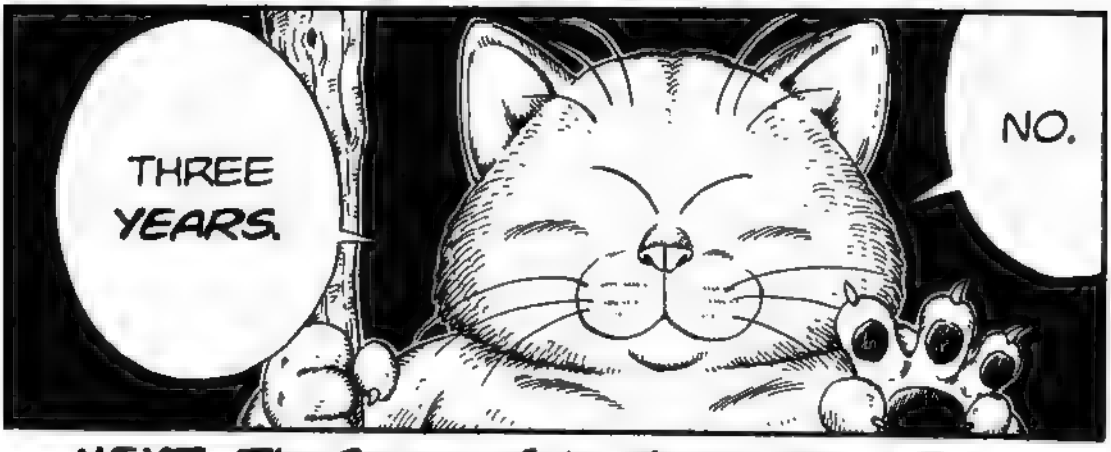






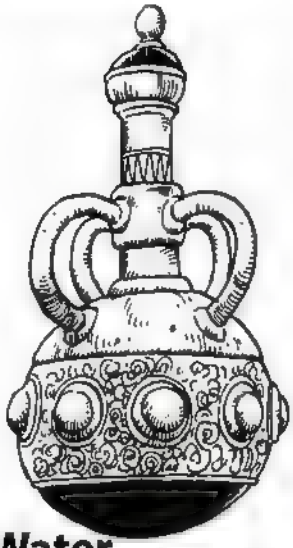






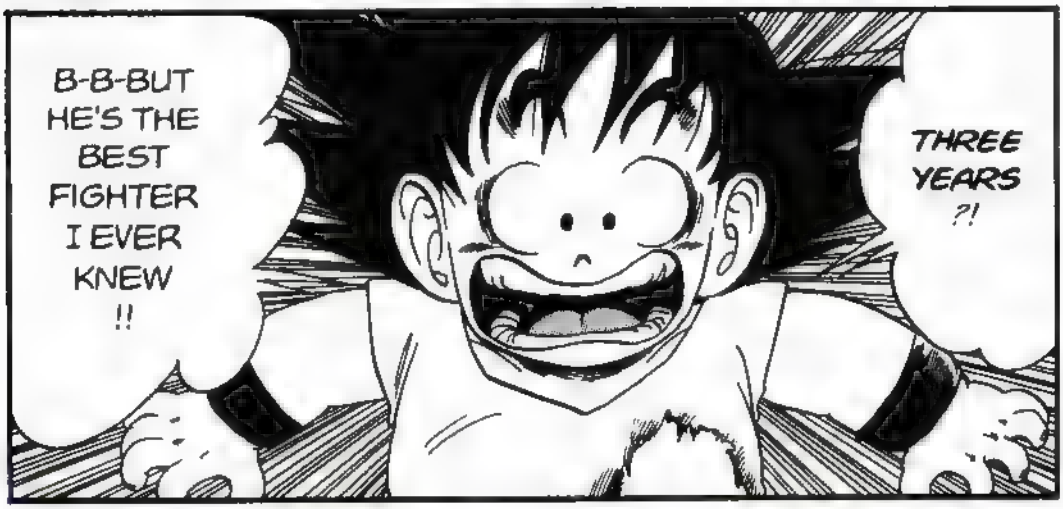
NEXT: The Secret of the Magic Water

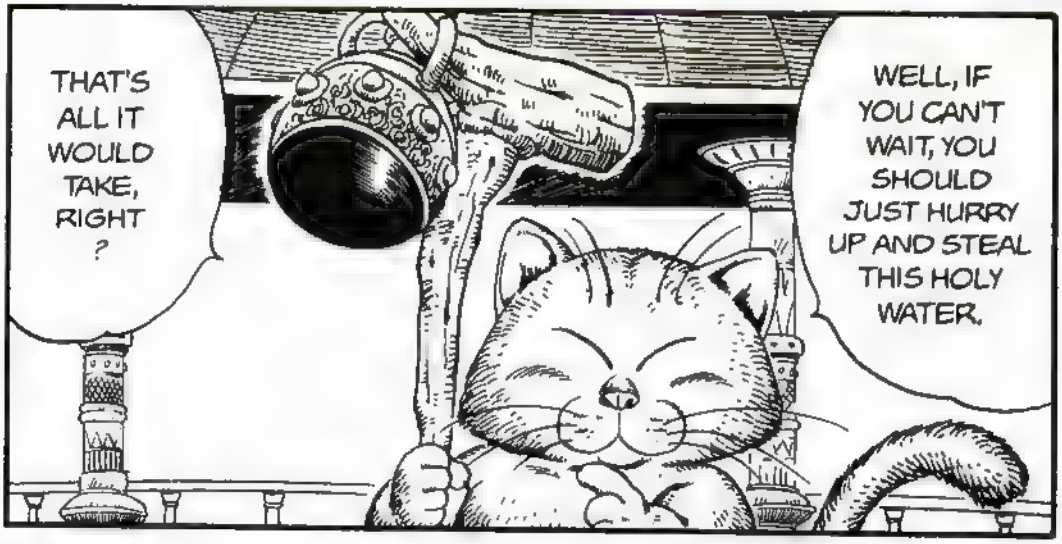
WHICH MEANS HE HAS TO STEAL THE FLASK FROM MASTER KARIN WHO'S ONLY BEEN BEATEN ONCE BEFORE AND THAT WAS BY THE INVINCIBLE OLD MASTER, AND IT TOOK HIM....



OKAY, SO.... TO BRING UPA'S DAD BACK TO LIFE, GOKU HAS TO GET ALL THE DRAGON BALLS, WHICH MEANS HE HAS TO DEFEAT TAOPAIPAI, WHICH MEANS HE HAS TO INCREASE HIS STRENGTH, WHICH MEANS HE HAS TO DRINK THE HOLY WATER...

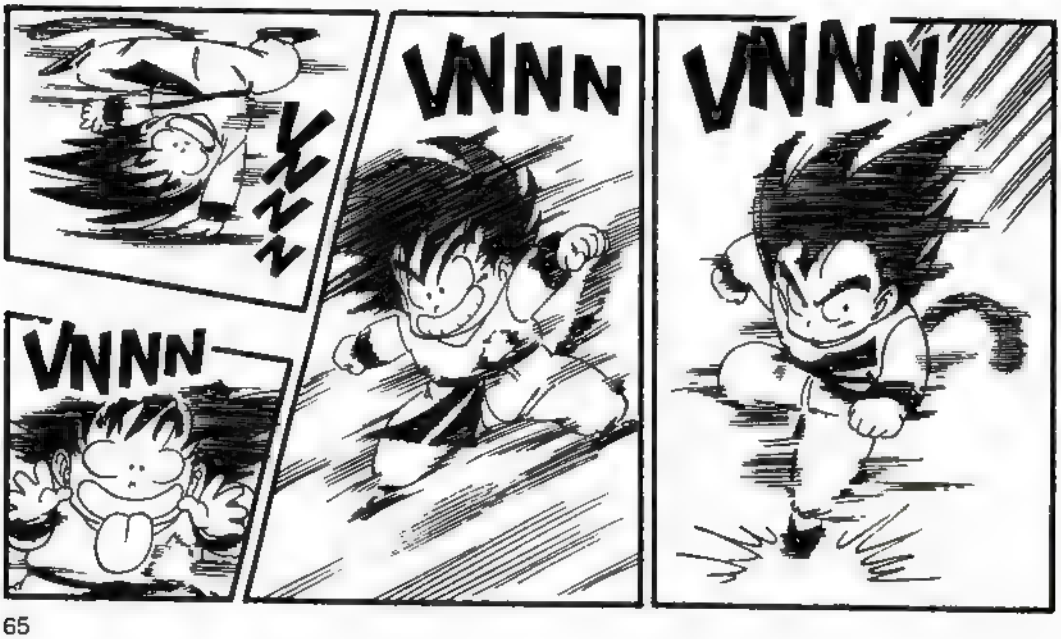
Tale 89 • A Drink of Water




THAT'S ALL IT WOULD TAKE, RIGHT ?
WELL, IF YOU CAN'T WAIT, YOU SHOULD JUST HURRY UP AND STEAL THIS HOLY WATER.

KWRRRRR
TYAH-!!

ALL RIGHT--!! I'LL DO IT!!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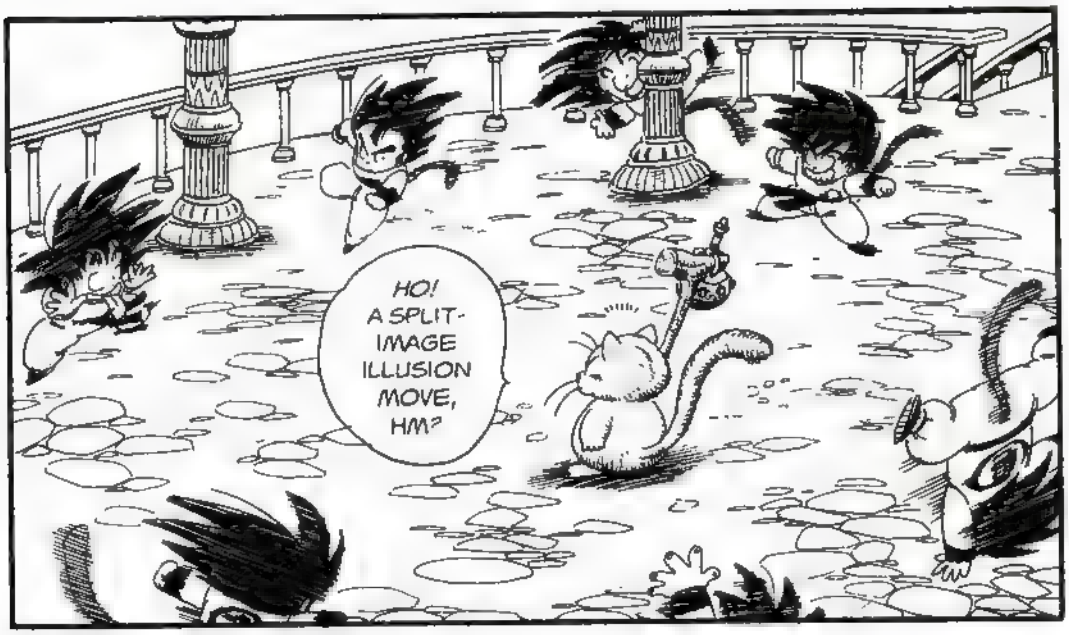
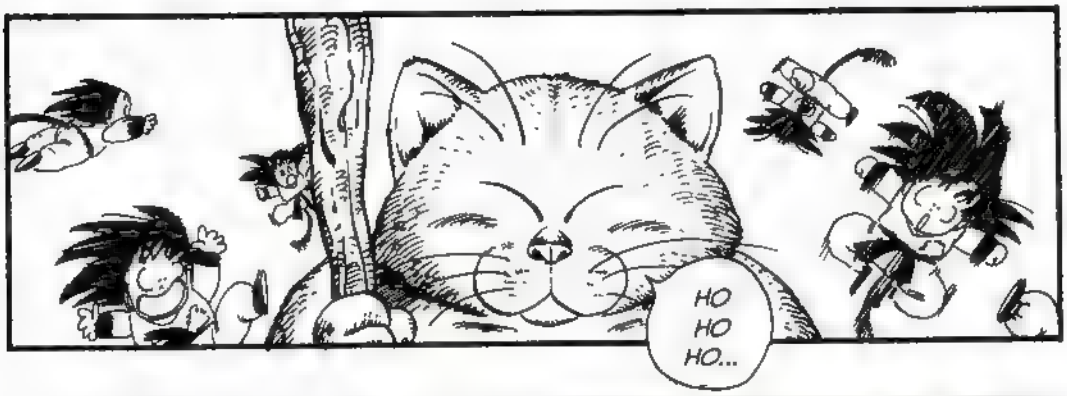
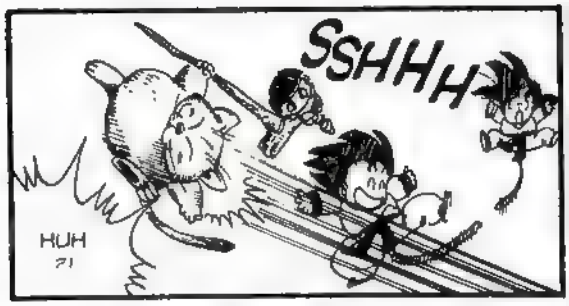

HO! A SPLIT-IMAGE ILLUSION MOVE, HM?


HO HO HO...

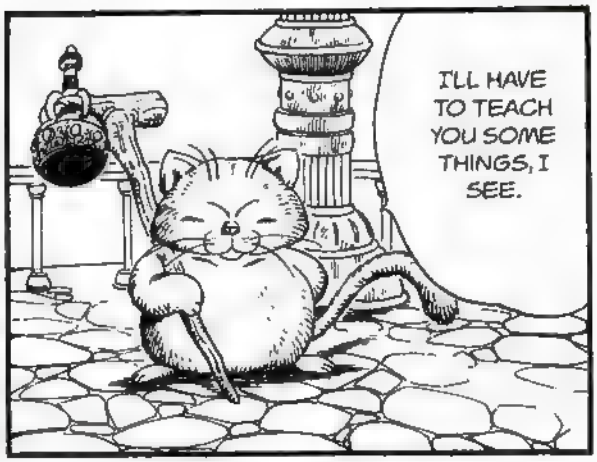

SSHHH
HUH ?!

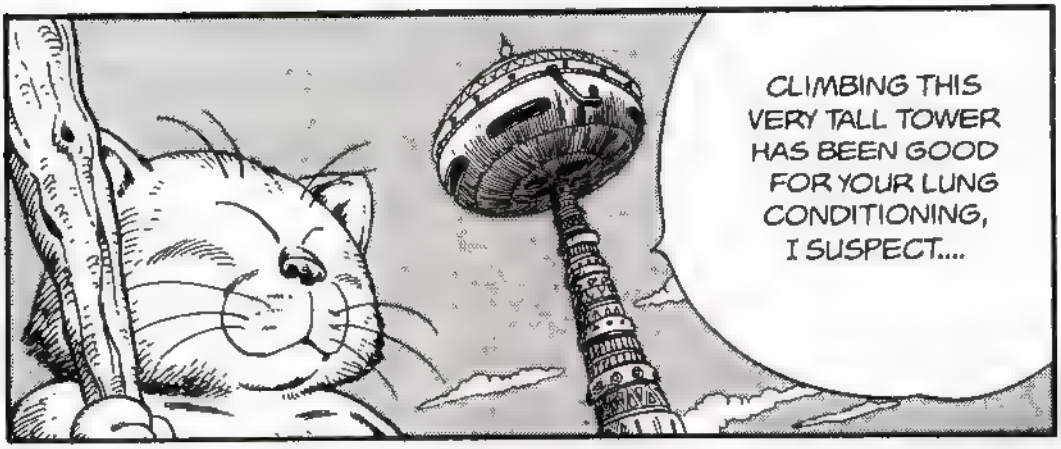
VWAAA
YOU'RE RIGHT THERE !!!

TOO BAD-- I WAS OVER HERE--!!

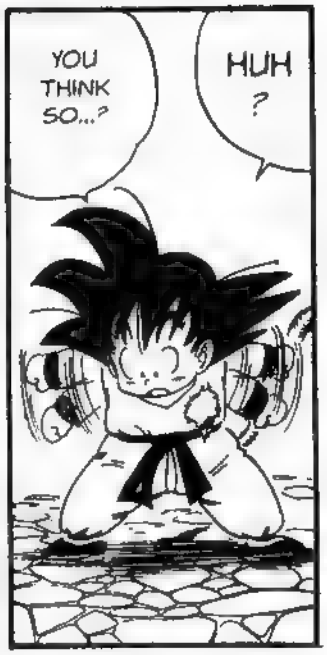
GO
ING
SHWAAA
EEP ?!
MEOW-HAHA!
OWW--!!
I TURNED YOUR SPLIT-IMAGE BACK AGAINST YOU!
DID YOU THINK I WOULDN'T SEE THROUGH THAT?
THIS COULD BE QUITE INTERESTING...
THIS LAD IS PRETTY GOOD... I'VE NEVER SEEN SO MANY SPLIT IMAGES IN THAT MOVE BEFORE...
YOU PUT TOO MUCH EXTRA MOVEMENT IN YOUR MOVES, WHICH COSTS YOU BREATH.
WE'RE AT QUITE A HIGH ALTITUDE, YOU KNOW. THE AIR IS THIN.
HUF...HUF... HOW COME I'M OUT OF BREATH ALREADY...?

HUH? WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT ?

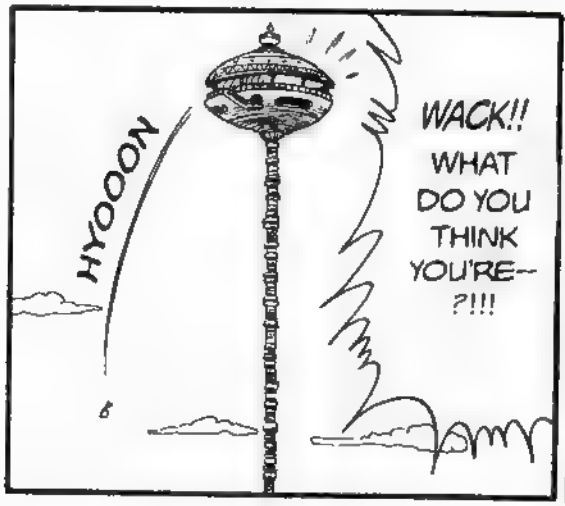

I'LL HAVE TO TEACH YOU SOME THINGS, I SEE.

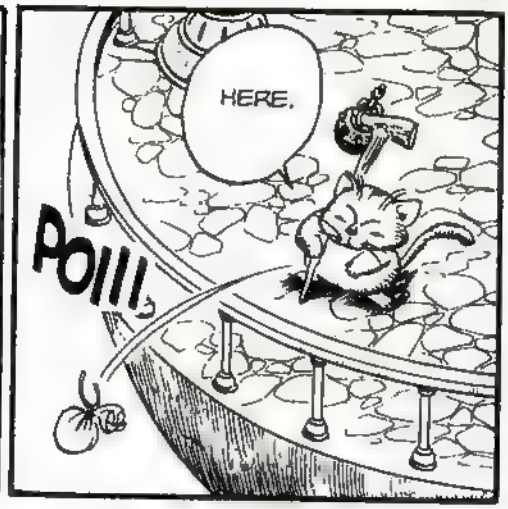

CLIMBING THIS VERY TALL TOWER HAS BEEN GOOD FOR YOUR LUNG CONDITIONING, I SUSPECT....

OH, YES, YES. BUT YOU'LL NEED A LITTLE MORE CONDITIONING THAN THAT....


HUH ?
YOU THINK SO...?

HEY!! THE POUCH WITH MY DRAGON BALL...!! WHEN DID YOU TAKE THAT?!
AND WHAT ARE YOU GONNA DO?! GIVE IT BACK!!


HYOOON
WACK!! WHAT DO YOU THINK YOU'RE--?!!!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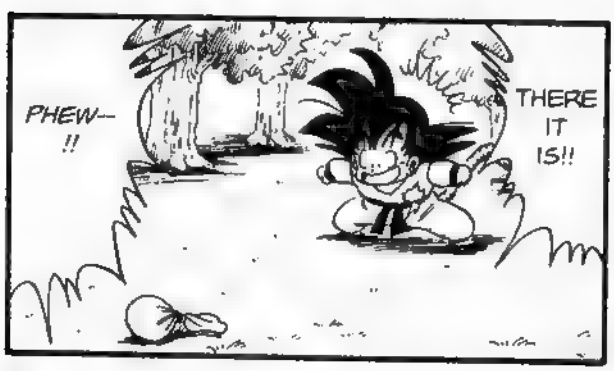
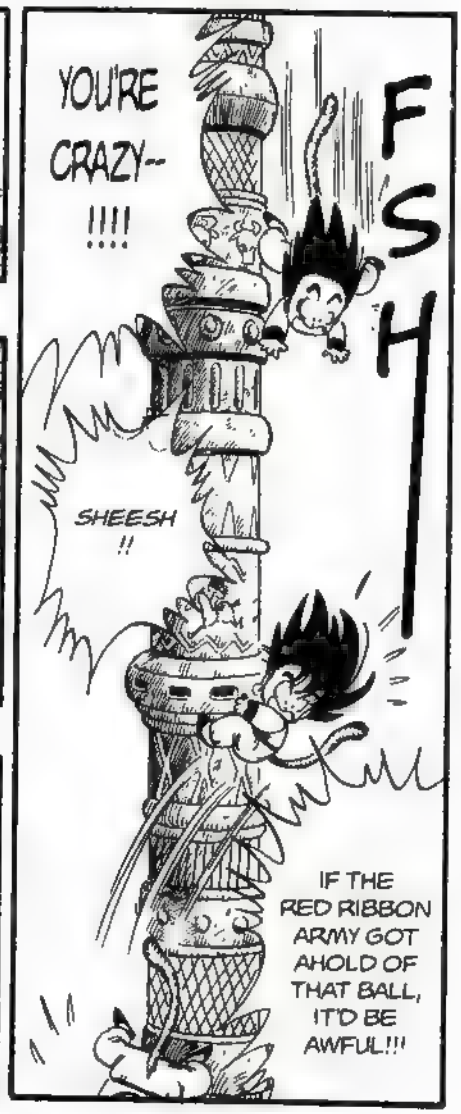
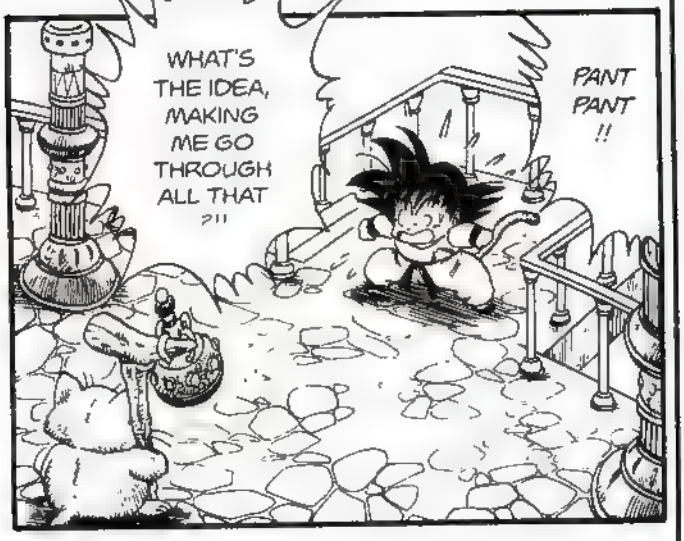
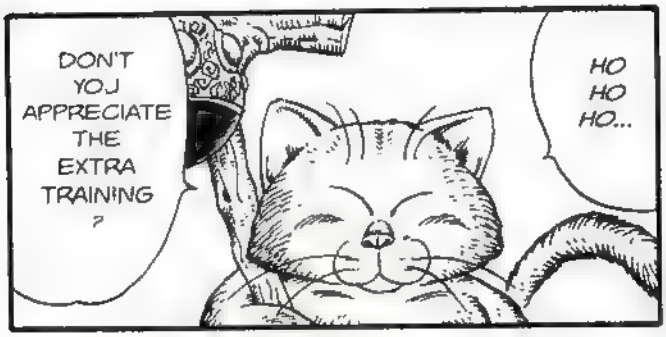
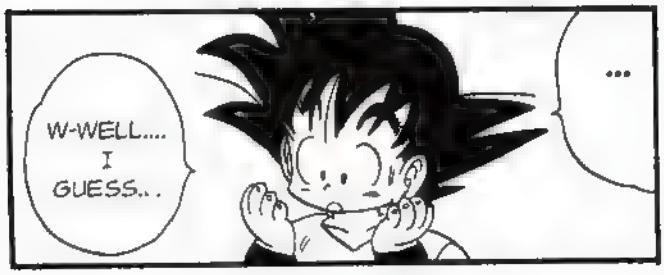

PHEW--!!
THERE IT IS!!


YOU'RE CRAZY--!!!!
FSH
SHEESH!!
IF THE RED RIBBON ARMY GOT AHOLD OF THAT BALL, IT'D BE AWFUL!!!


WHAT'S THE IDEA, MAKING ME GO THROUGH ALL THAT ?!!
PANT PANT !!


DON'T YOJ APPRECIATE THE EXTRA TRAINING ?
HO HO HO...

BUT JUST NOW YOU MADE THE ROUND TRIP IN ABOUT THREE HOURS.... THAT'S SOME PROGRESS!
IT TOOK YOU ALMOST A WHOLE DAY TO CLIMB THE TOWER THE FIRST TIME....


W-WELL.... I GUESS...
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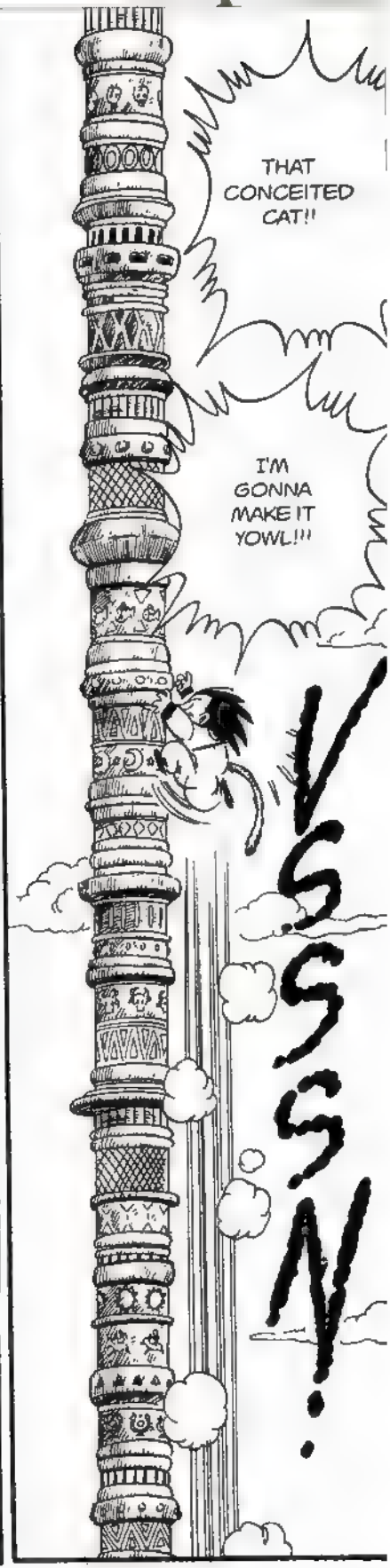
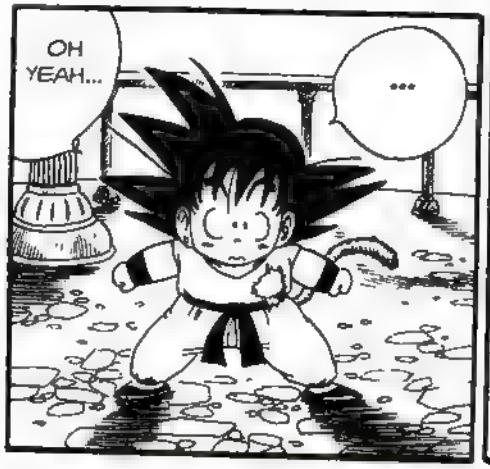
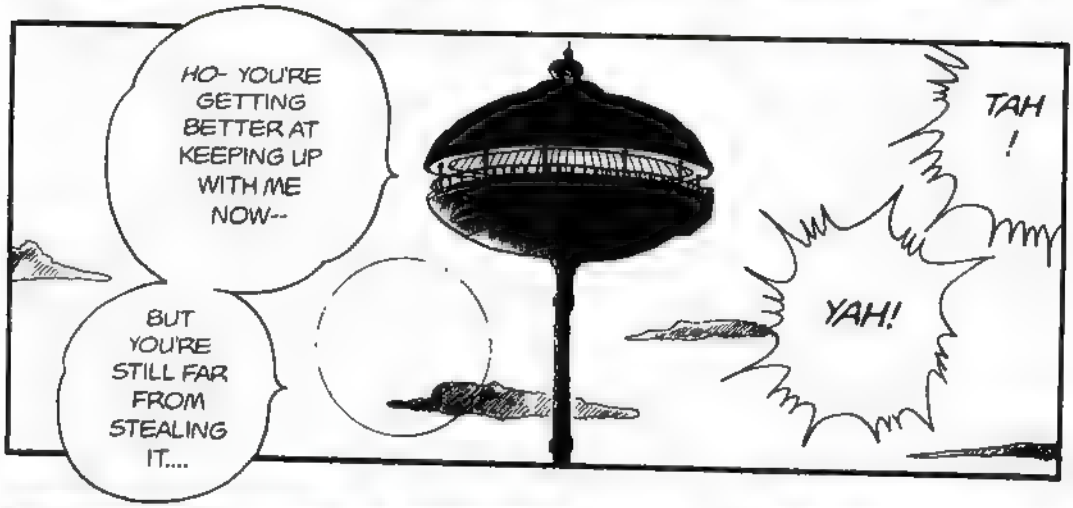
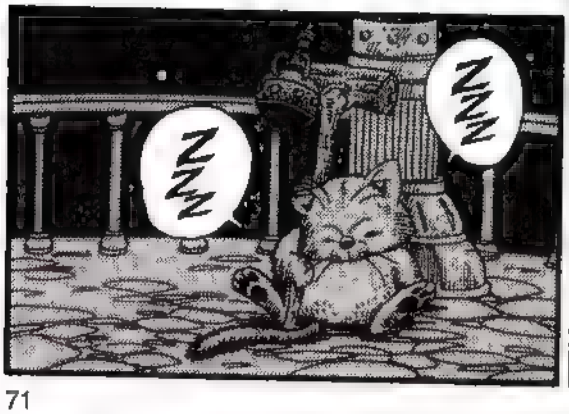

THAT CONCEITED CAT!!
I'M GONNA MAKE IT YOWL!!!
VSSSN!


OH YEAH...
...

NOW... BACK TO BUSI-NESS--
STEAL THE FLASK AND DRINK THE HOLY WATER.


HO- YOU'RE GETTING BETTER AT KEEPING UP WITH ME NOW--
BUT YOU'RE STILL FAR FROM STEALING IT....
TAH !
YAH!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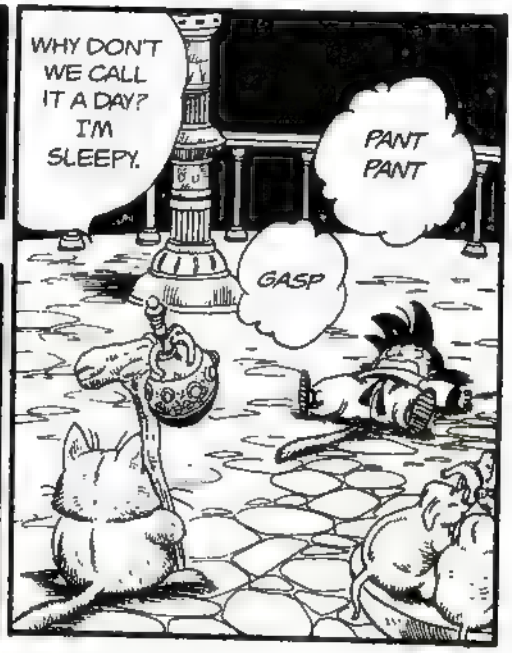
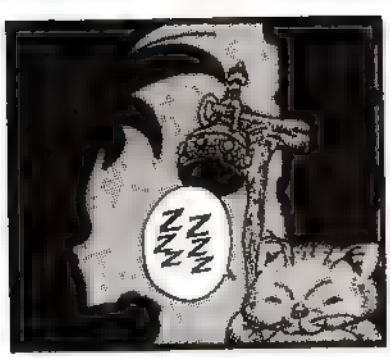
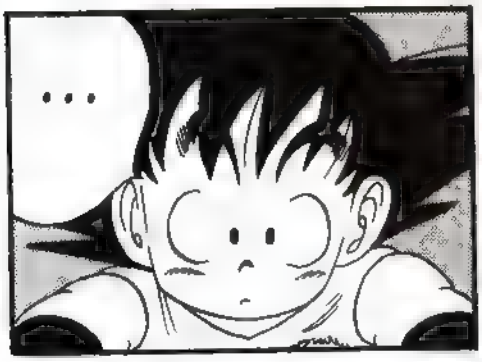
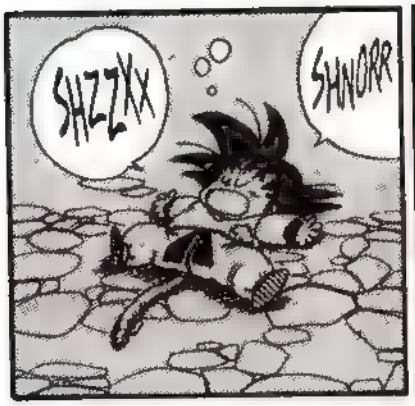
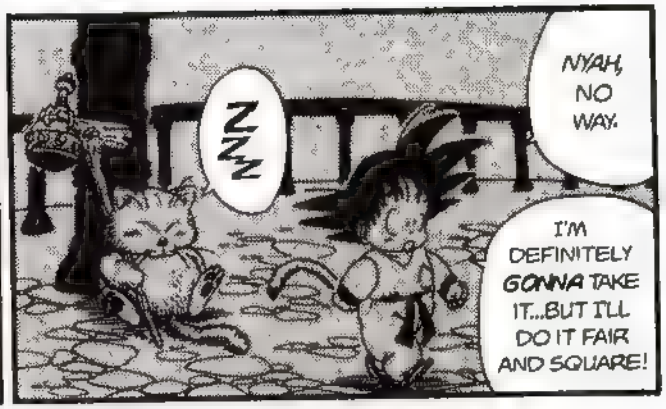
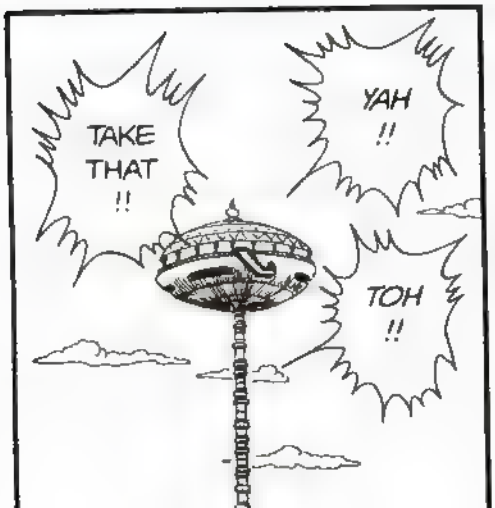

WHY DON'T WE CALL IT A DAY? I'M SLEEPY.
PANT PANT
GASP



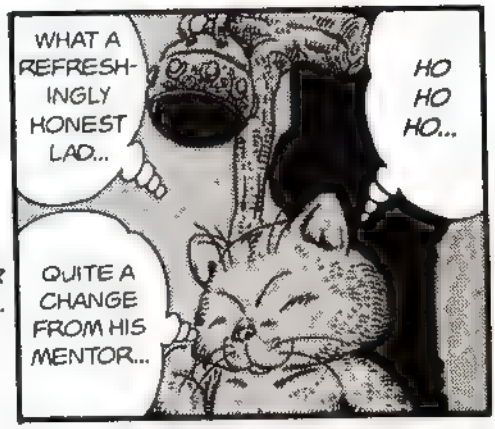






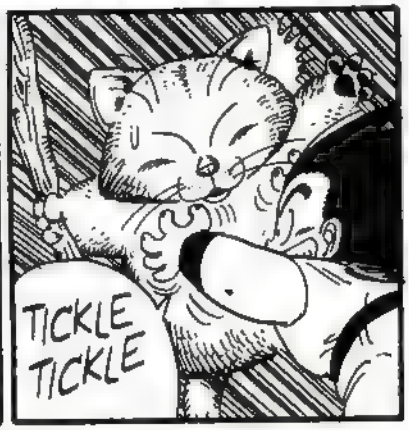


AND SO THE NEXT DAY AND THE DAY AFTER THAT.....



HAH !!
ALL RIGHT! TODAY IS THE DAY I WILL TAKE THAT FLASK!
VNNN
BASSSH
PAP
TOH !!!
HA!! !!!
FWAA

GYA-
HAHA-
HAHA-
HA!!!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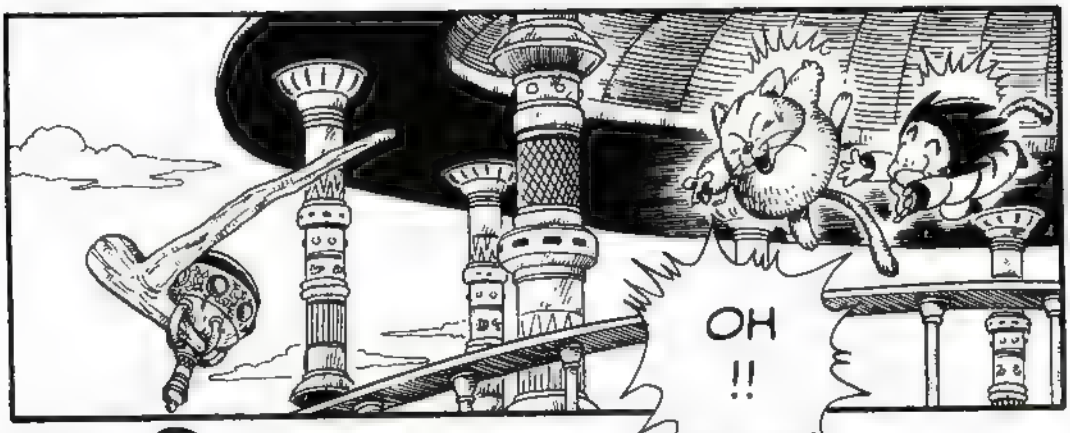
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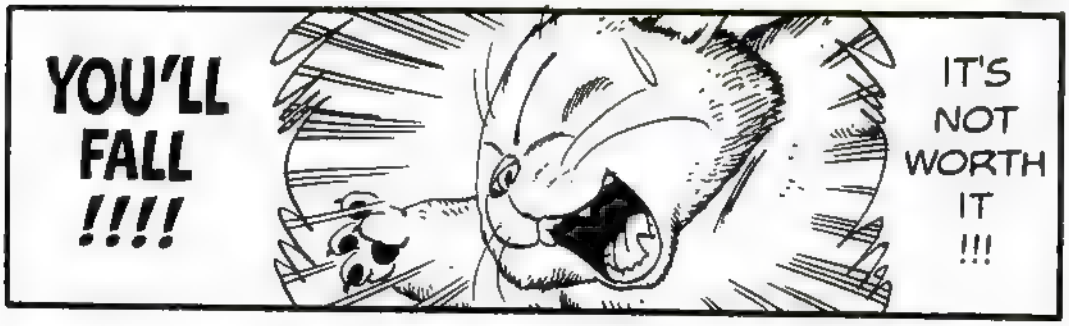
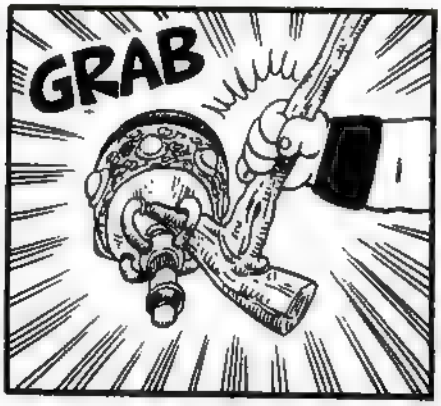

YOU'LL FALL !!!!
IT'S NOT WORTH IT !!!

L-LAD !!!

WAAH-...!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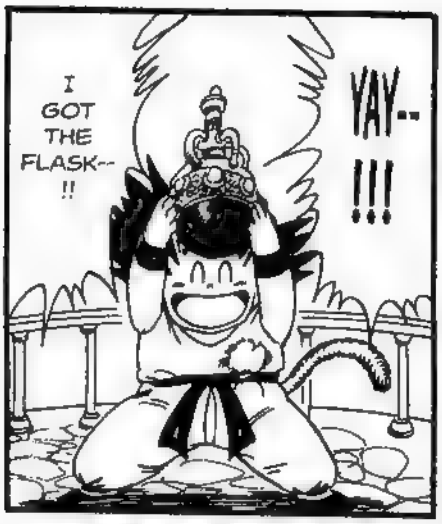
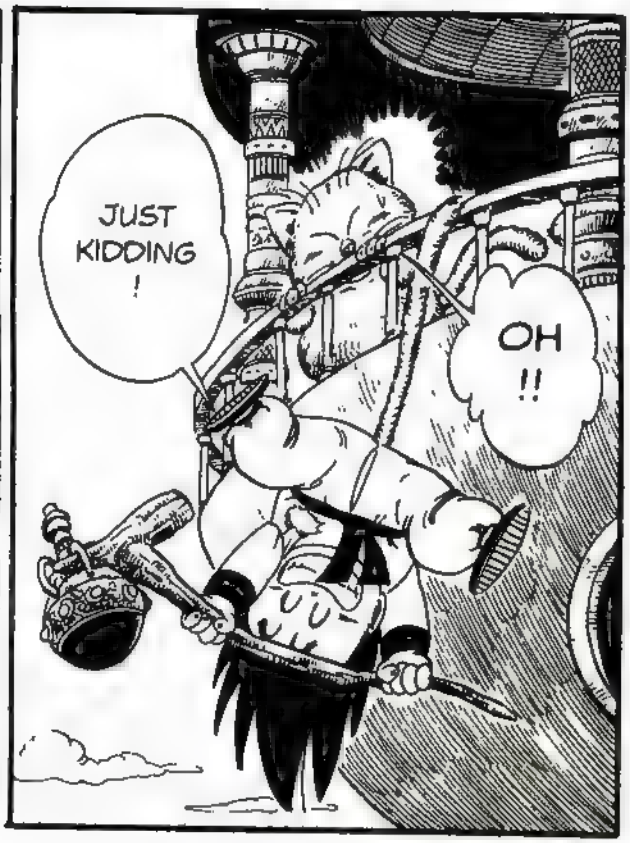
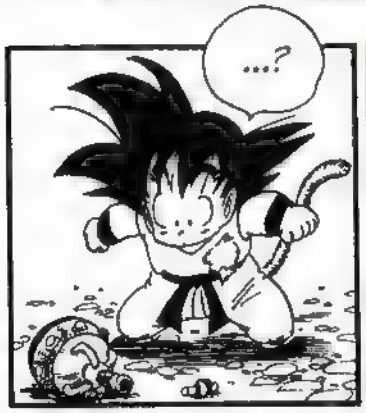

I GOT THE FLASK-- !!
YAY-- !!!

TO HAVE DONE IT IN JUST THREE DAYS... !
WH-WHAT AN ASTONISHING CHILD....


JUST KIDDING !
OH !!

HEH HEH HEH--
POP

OF COURSE-- GO AHEAD, DRINK IT
I CAN DRINK IT, RIGHT ?!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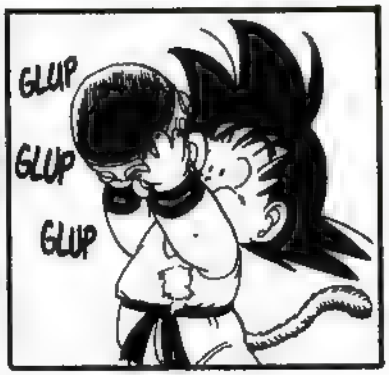
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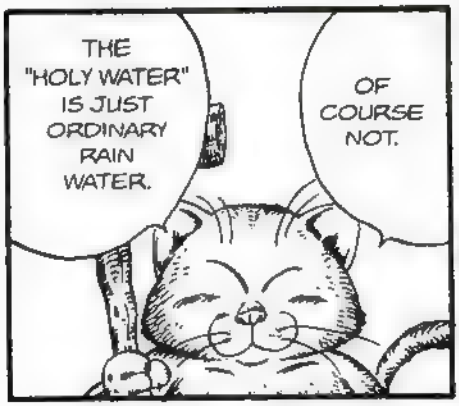
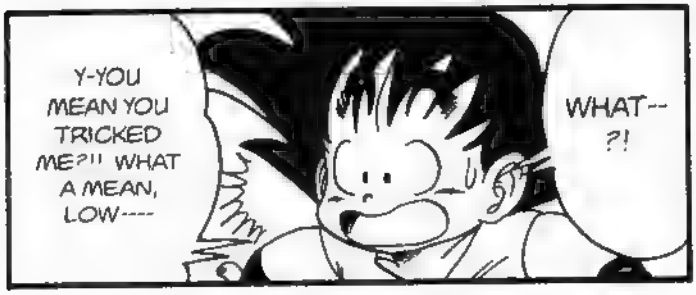
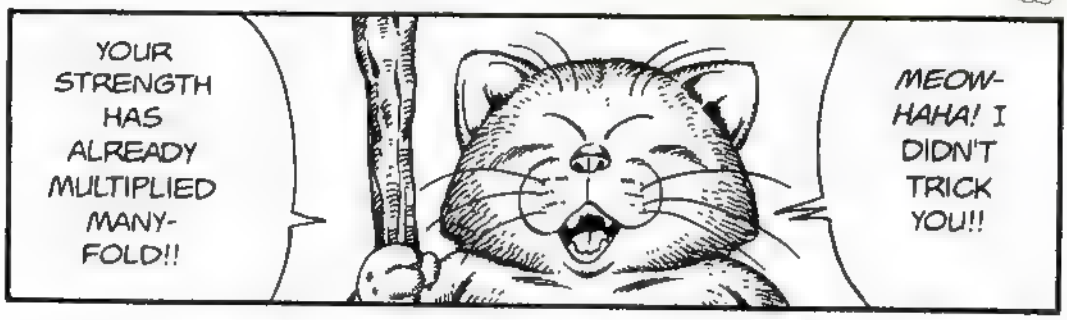
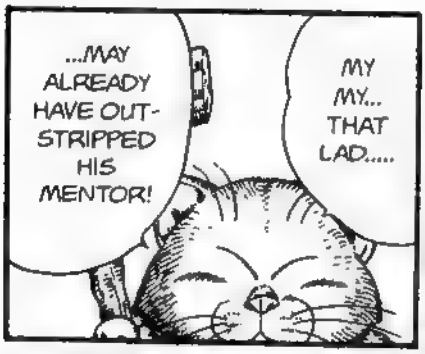

THE "HOLY WATER" IS JUST ORDINARY RAIN WATER.
OF COURSE NOT.

HEY... I DON'T REALLY FEEL ANY DIFFERENT...

...?
HUH?

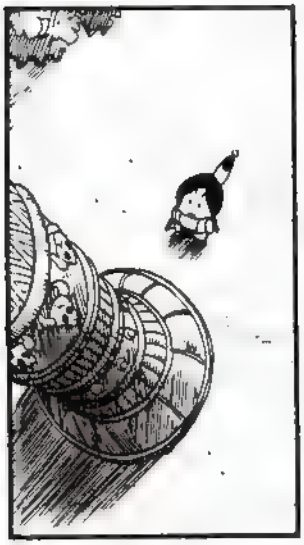

Y-YOU MEAN YOU TRICKED ME?!! WHAT A MEAN, LOW----
WHAT-- ?!

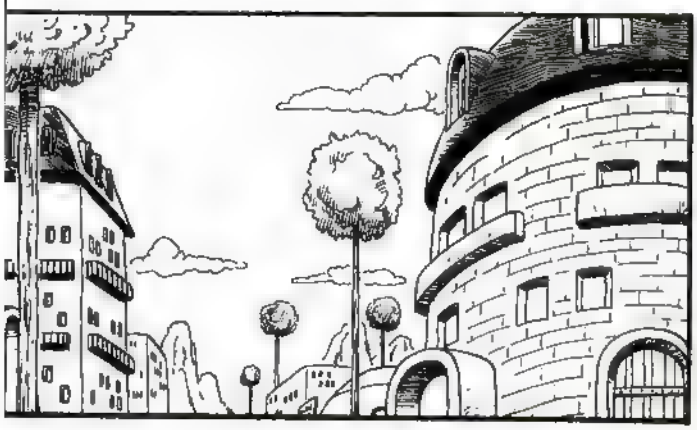




NEXT: Son Goku's Revenge

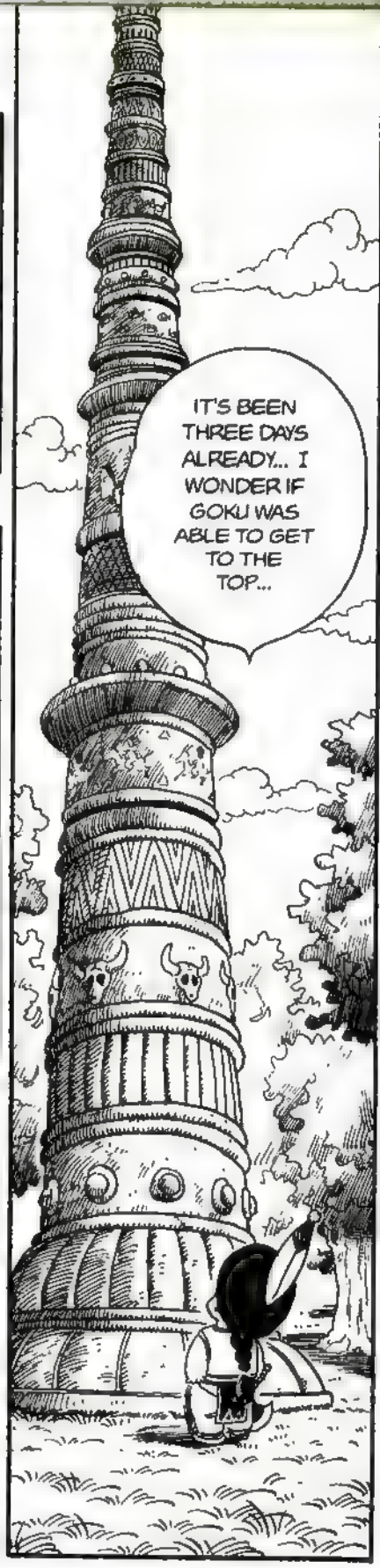
Tale 90 • Son Goku Strikes Back!

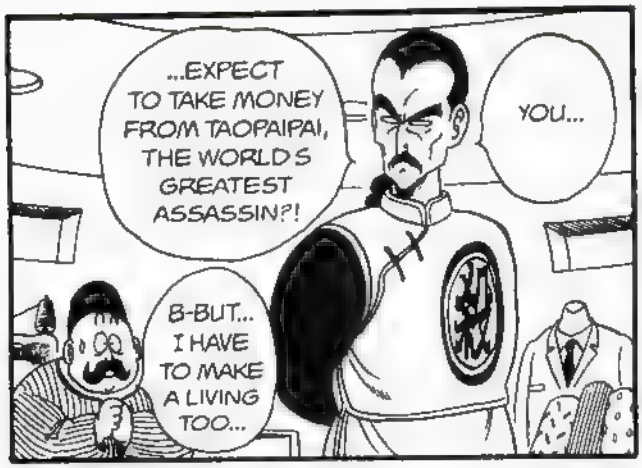




YES, YES, JUST AS I INSTRUCTED....
EXCEL-LENT.
殺
I WENT WITHOUT SLEEP TO FINISH IT!

I SUPPOSE I SHOULD HEAD OFF TO FIND THAT LAST DRAGON BALL OR WHATEVER IT IS...
NOW THEN...


IT'S BEEN THREE DAYS ALREADY... I WONDER IF GOKU WAS ABLE TO GET TO THE TOP...


...EXPECT TO TAKE MONEY FROM TAOPAIPAI, THE WORLD'S GREATEST ASSASSIN?!
YOU...
B-BUT... I HAVE TO MAKE A LIVING TOO...

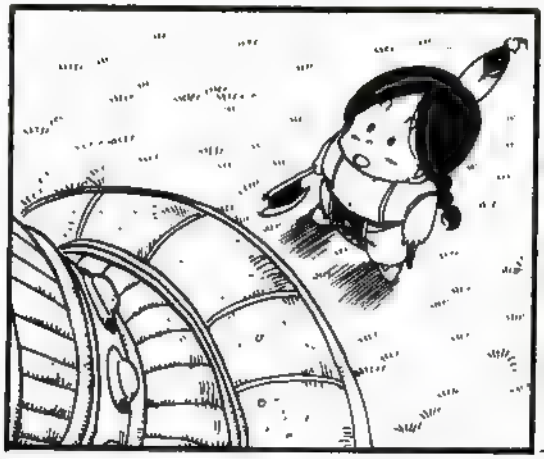
TWIK
UM... M-MY FEE...?

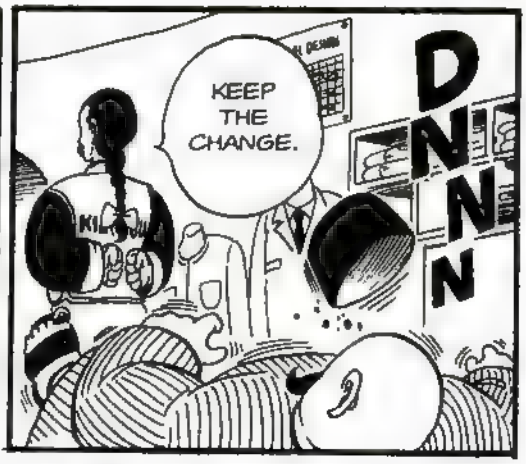
YOU DON'T KNOW HOW LUCKY YOU ARE! MY HIT FEE IS MORE THAN A LOWLY CITIZEN LIKE YOU COULD AFFORD IF YOU WORKED EVERY DAY FOR THE REST OF YOUR LIFE! NOW...WHO'LL IT BE?
ALL RIGHT, THEN, LET'S DO THIS. I'M A KILLER. SO INSTEAD OF MONEY, I'LL KILL SOMEONE FOR YOU!

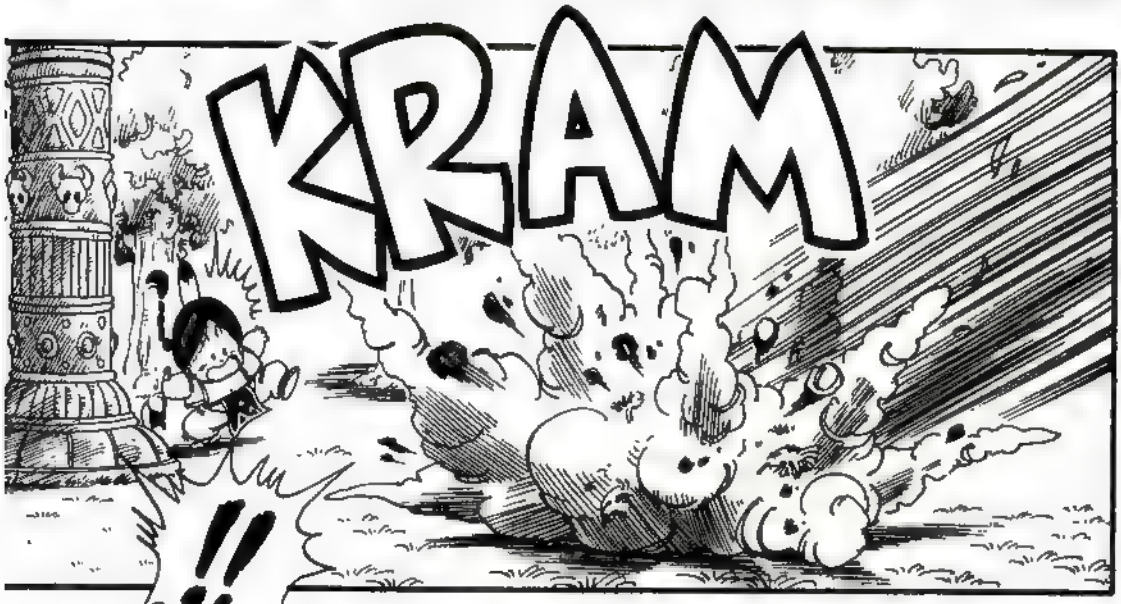
WELL THEN... WOULD YOU LIKE TO DIE?

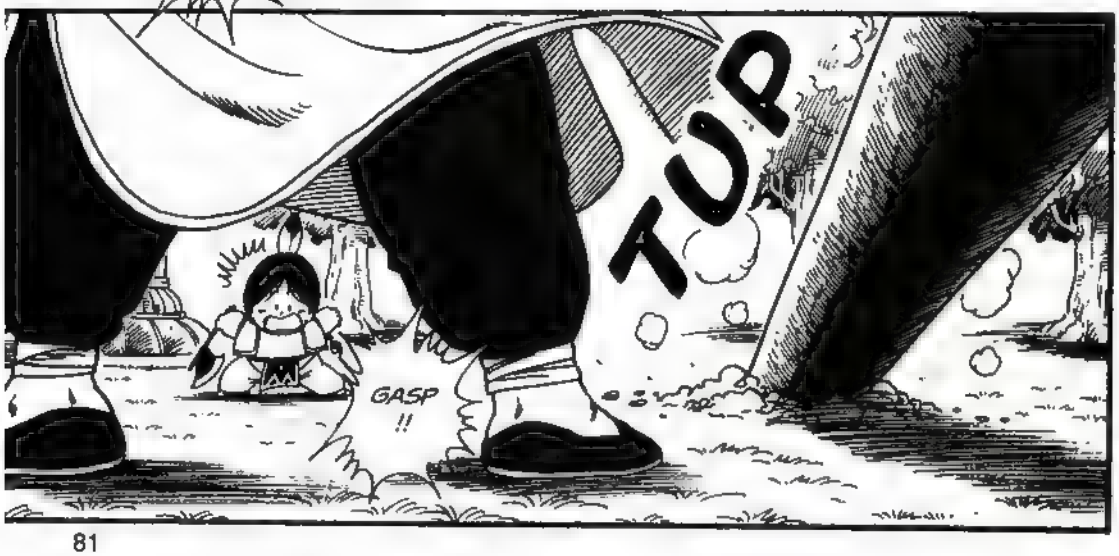
THERE'S NOBODY I WANT TO KILL!!
N-NO !!

JABB

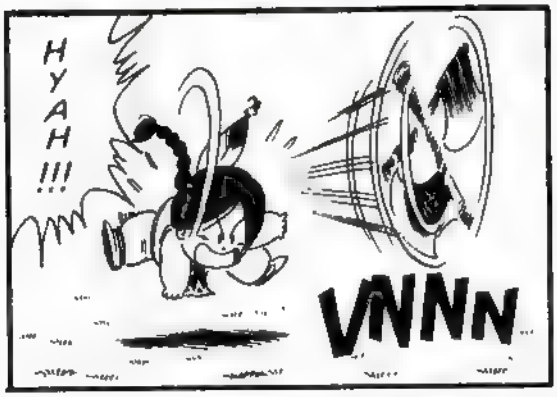


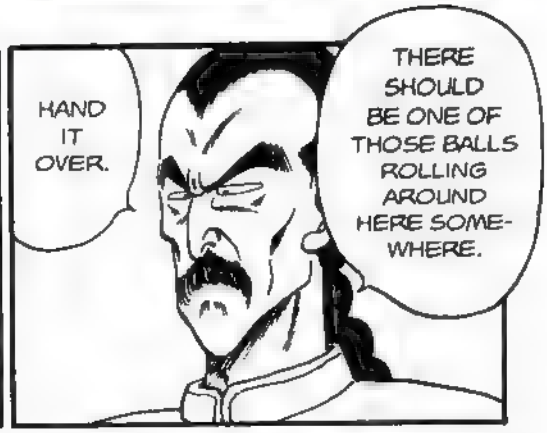

KEEP THE CHANGE.
DNNN

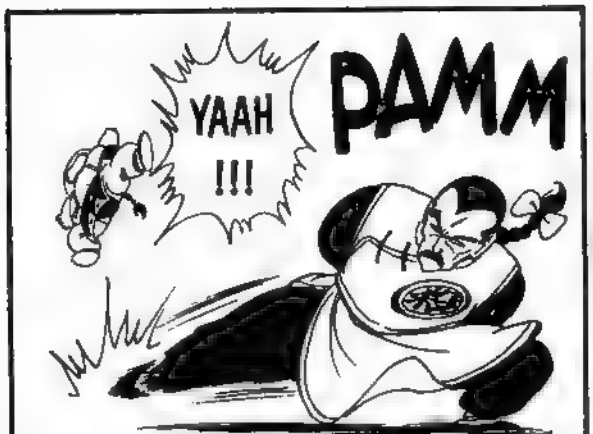

KRAM
!!


TUP
GASP !!

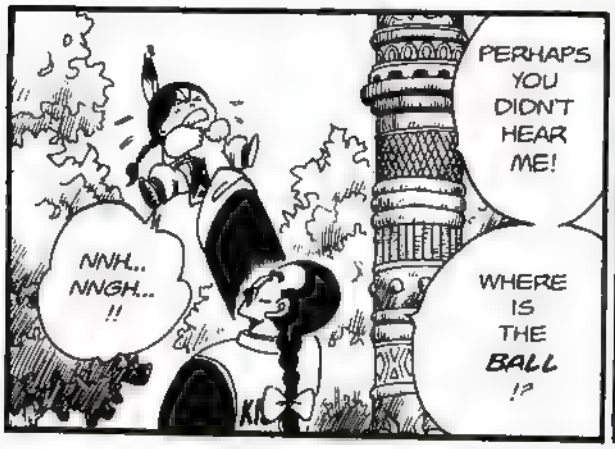
YOU AGAIN!! I MUST AVENGE FATHER!!
殺


HYAH !!!
VNNN


HAND IT OVER.
THERE SHOULD BE ONE OF THOSE BALLS ROLLING AROUND HERE SOME-WHERE.


YAAH !!!
PAMM

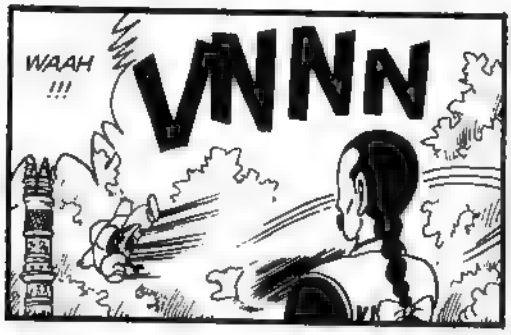
ZIP


PERHAPS YOU DIDN'T HEAR ME!
NNH... NNGH... !!
WHERE IS THE BALL !?

GRAB

AFTER ALL, I CAN ALWAYS USE THAT RADAR GADGET TO LOCATE THE BALL, EH?
IN THAT CASE, I'LL JUST KILL YOU RIGHT HERE.

I-I'LL... NEVER... TELL YOU...!!


WAAH !!!
VNNN

WHAT A STUBBORN BRAT. ALL RIGHT THEN, HAVE IT YOUR WAY.
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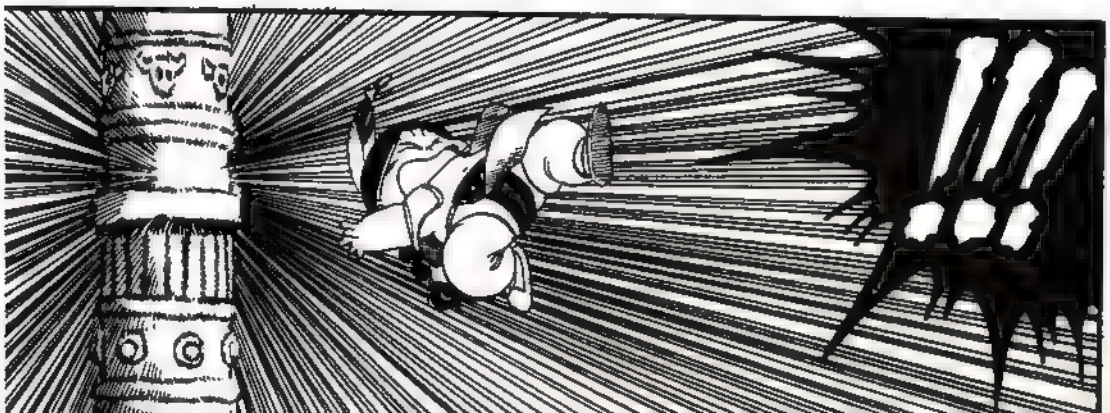
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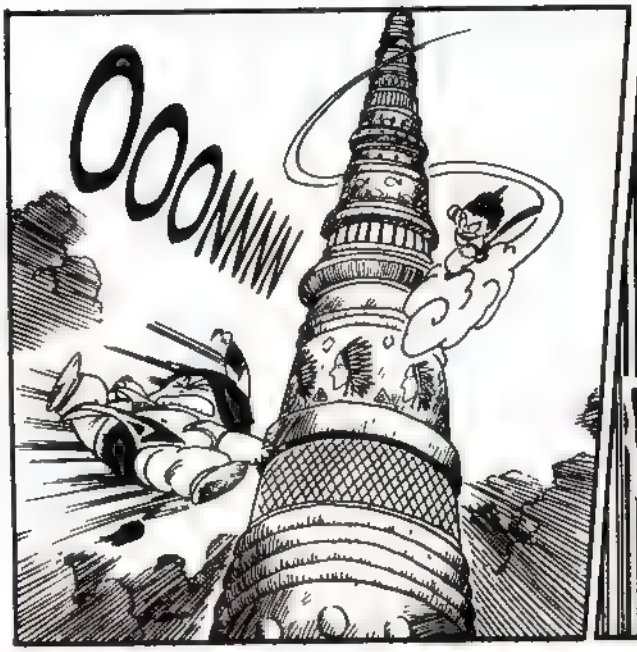
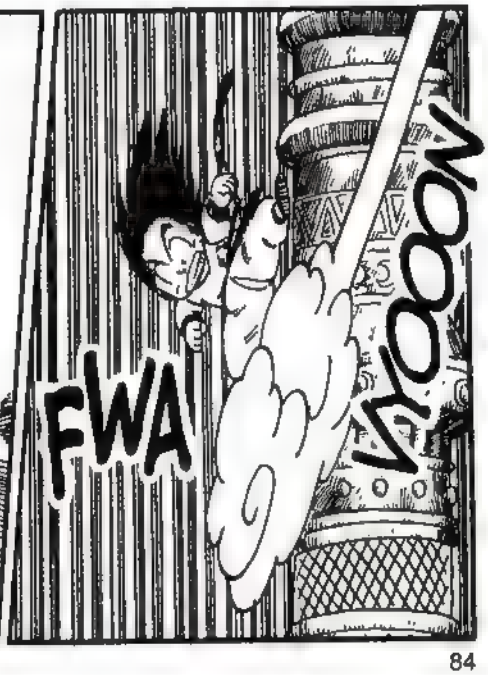
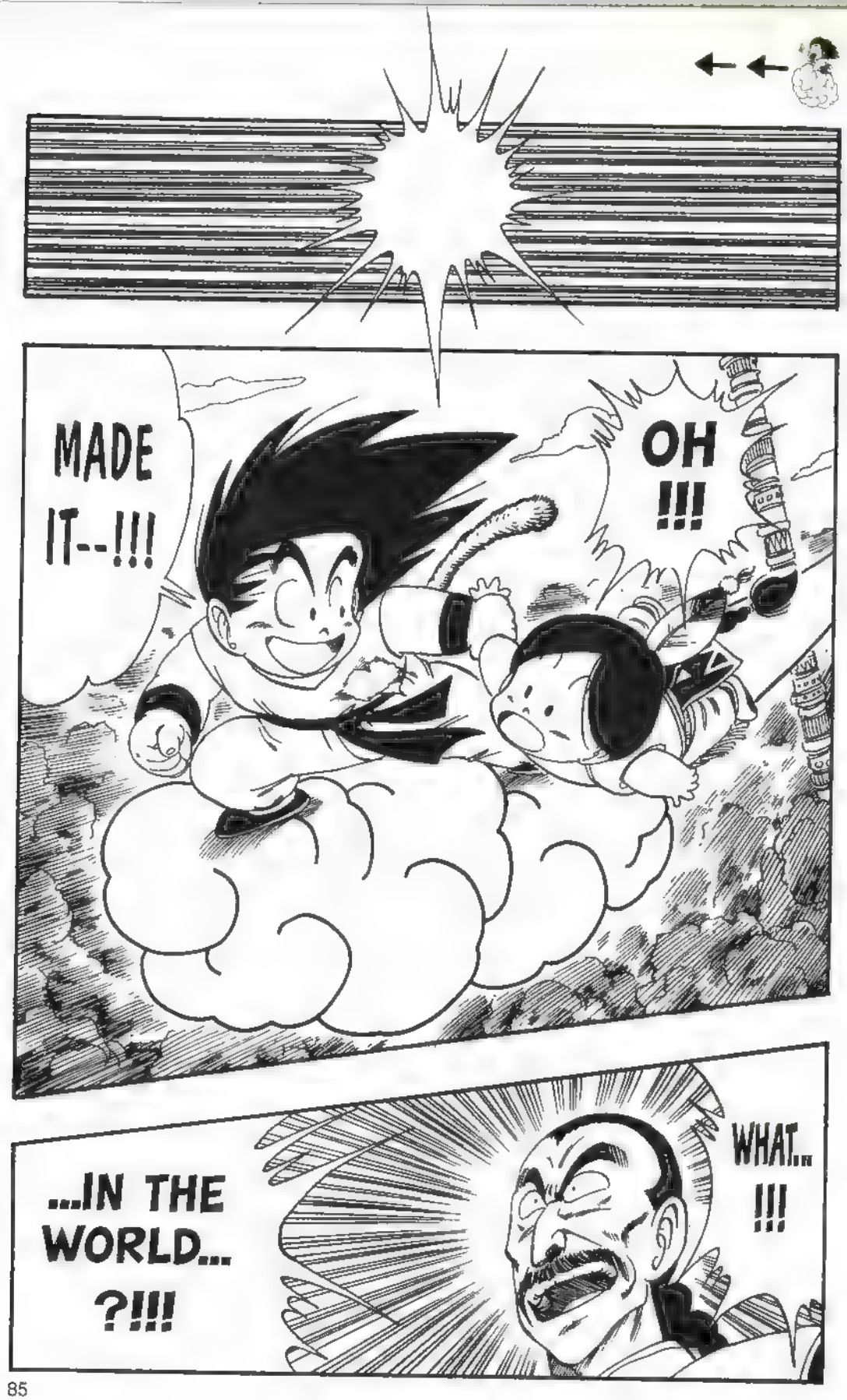
KINTO'-UN!!!





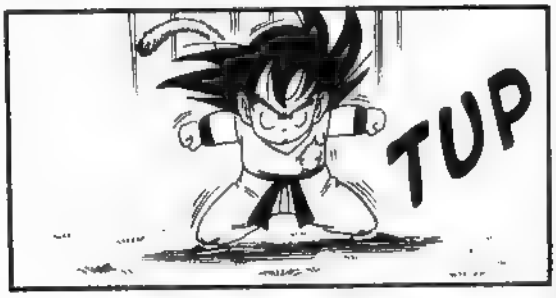

MADE IT--!!!
OH !!!
...IN THE WORLD... ?!!!
WHAT... !!!

HE COULDN'T HAVE...
THIS MUST BE A JOKE...
殺

THAT'S WHY I TOLD YOU TO HIDE!
G-GOKU !!

YAAAAAY !!!

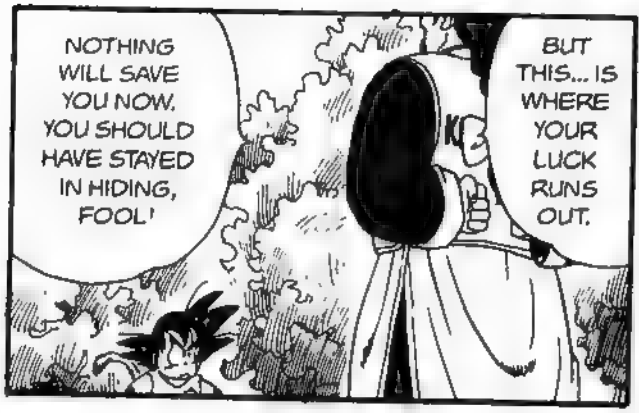
YUP!! I'M BETTER'N EVER NOW !!
YOU MADE IT TO THE TOP?! YOU GOT TO DRINK THE HOLY WATER?!!

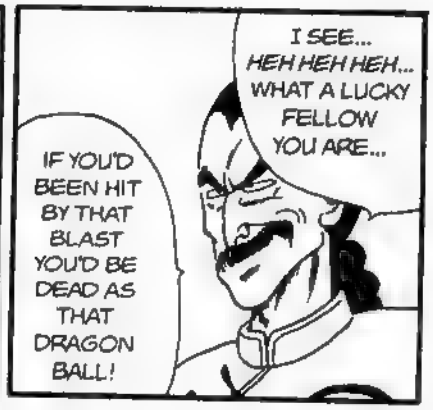

TUP

WELL, YOU AREN'T GETTIN' IT!
YOU WANT THE DRAGON BALL?

YES, SIR !!
YOU JUST STAY UP HERE ON MY CLOUD, OKAY?
SO... YOU'RE STILL ALIVE, EH...?!

I WAS SAVED BY THE DRAGON BALL IN MY SHIRT POCKET!
NO ONE SURVIVES TAOPAIPAI'S DODON-PA!
HOW'D YOU DO IT, BOY ?!


NOTHING WILL SAVE YOU NOW. YOU SHOULD HAVE STAYED IN HIDING, FOOL!
BUT THIS... IS WHERE YOUR LUCK RUNS OUT.


I SEE... HEH HEH HEH... WHAT A LUCKY FELLOW YOU ARE...
IF YOU'D BEEN HIT BY THAT BLAST YOU'D BE DEAD AS THAT DRAGON BALL!

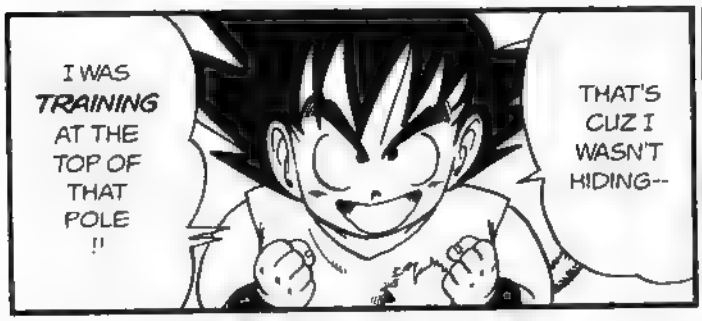
AND I WON'T LET YOU KNOCK ME AROUND AGAIN EITHER!
I WON'T HAND IT OVER !

NOW HAND OVER THE BALL....
...OR WOULD YOU RATHER DIE FOR REAL THIS TIME ?!

YOU'LL BE DEAD IN THREE SECONDS !!
HAHAHA.. YOU LITTLE NINCOM-POOP !
DOM
HAIYAH !!!!
HWAA
VVVv

UGH !!!
DONK
BO MM
TOMM
NKH !!!
KILL YOU!
BWAK
FUOOOON

...WOW...
...GOKU...
!
GAH !!!
GLAM
TMP
TOP
I THINK YOUR THREE SECONDS IS UP BY NOW!!

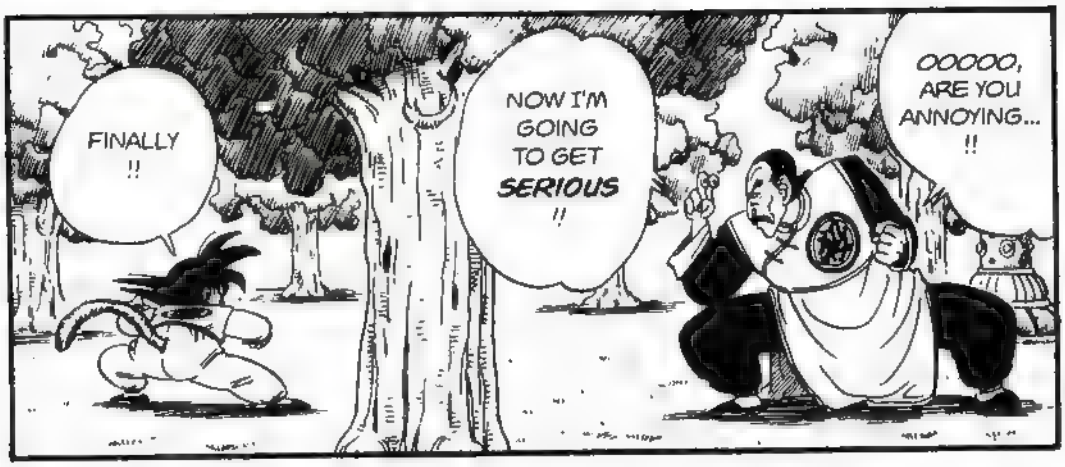

I WAS TRAINING AT THE TOP OF THAT POLE !!
THAT'S CUZ I WASN'T HIDING--

WH-WHAT...?!
YOU WEREN'T DOING ANY-THING LIKE THIS THREE DAYS AGO!
WHAT'S HAPPENING HERE....?!

NO THREE DAYS OF TRAINING COULD DO THIS!!
TRAIN-ING... AT THE TOP ...?!

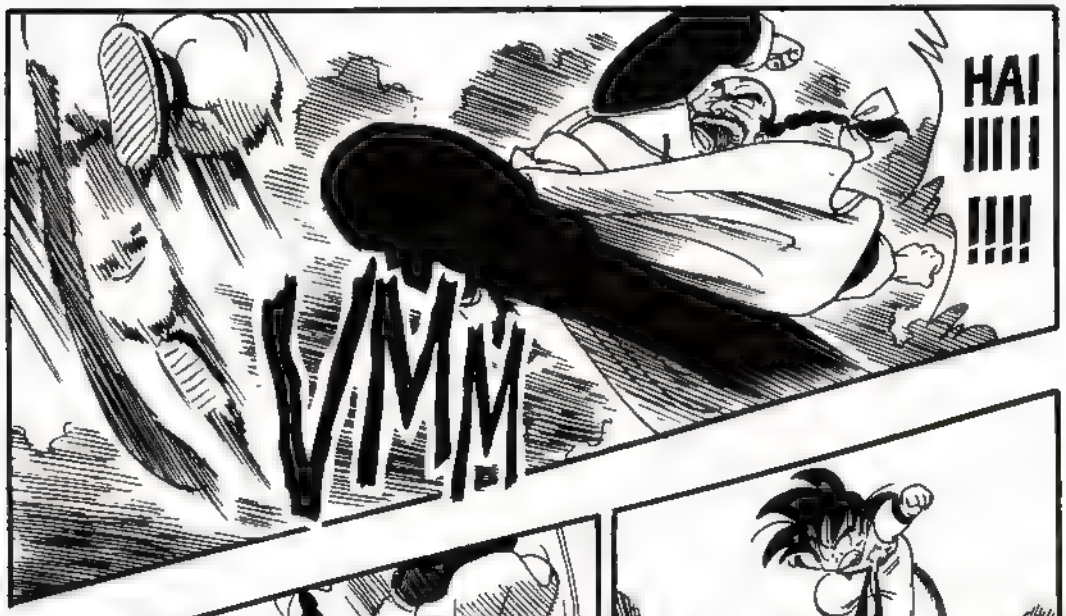
NEXT: Goku vs. Taopaipai, Take Two!

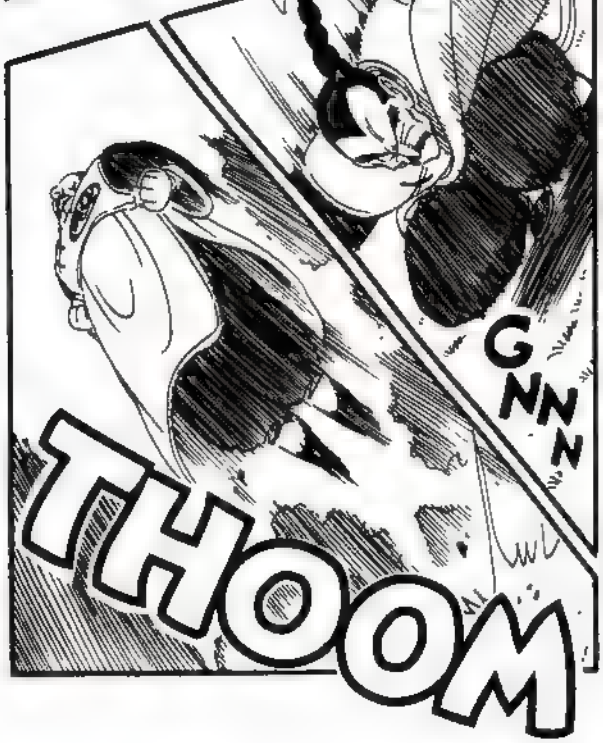
Tale 91 • Battle in the Sanctuary!!

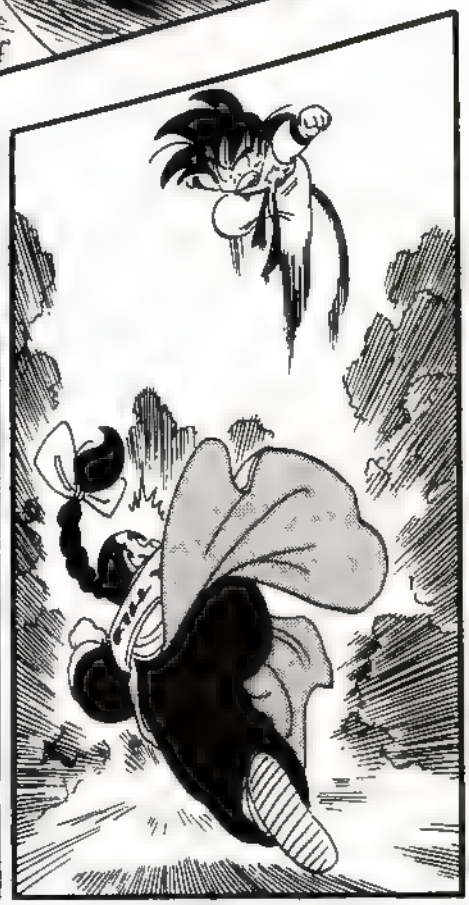


BOOF
KRAK KRAK
BWAK
YAH !!
...UGH... !
HEH HEH—
TUP

YOU--...
!!
Y...


HAI
!!!!!
!!!!
VMM


GNNN
THOOM



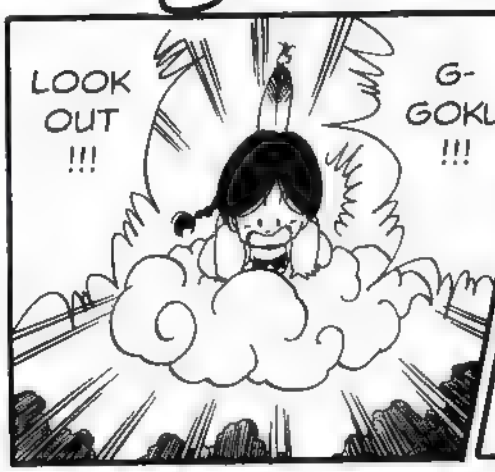
UGH!!
WHOK
THOP
DWOK

TMMM
KRAKKA
TNNN
THWOG

TUP
POP
YOU SAID YOU WERE GONNA BE SERIOUS!
INGRATE! I HOLD BACK BECAUSE YOU'RE A CHILD AND WHAT DO YOU DO?! TAKE ADVANTAGE OF ME!!
RRRRIP

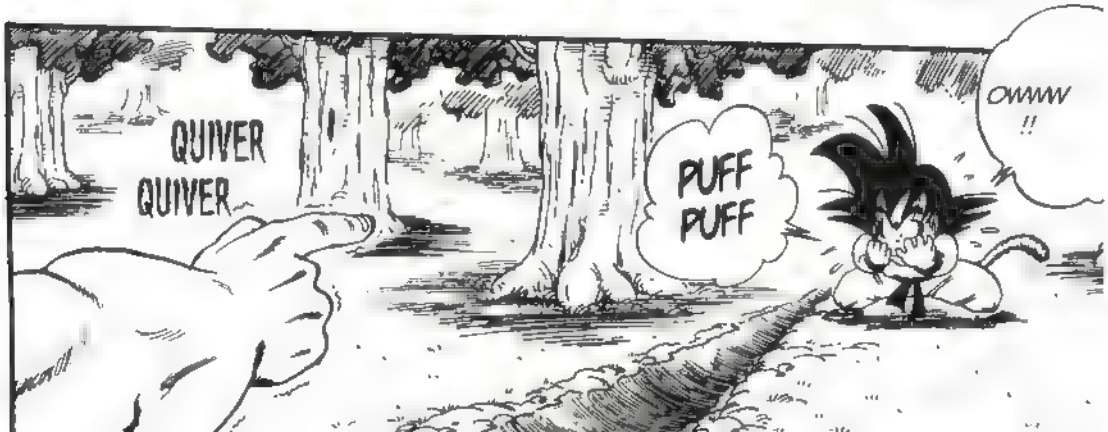
TAOPAIPAI'S ULTIMATE MOVE...THE DODON BLAST!!!!!
ALL RIGHT... THIS TIME I'M SERIOUSLY SERIOUS !!!

DODON'PA!!!


LOOK OUT !!!
G-GOKU !!!

ZAP
SHWA
HWOOOO
C'MON!!! GIMME YOUR BEST!!!

BA
M
ZUD-D-D-!!


QUIVER
QUIVER
PUFF
PUFF
OWWW
!!

TWITCH TWITCH

...AND YOUR DOO-DOO THINGIE DOESN'T WORK AGAINST ME !
HEY! MY KAMEHA-MEHA DIDN'T WORK AGAINST YOU...

YOU DON'T MEAN...
N... NO.....
M-MY DODON-PA...

PING

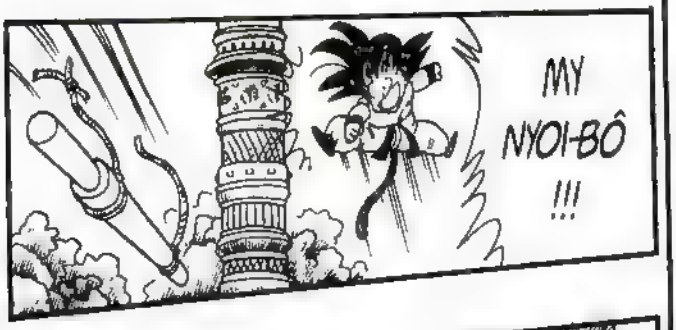
GRAB
YOU... !!

HE DID IT!!

WAAA !!
TYAA !!!
SSSHH
H
SWIP
BOM
A CAPSULE !
HYAA !!!
WHOA, WHOA !!
FYOOOO
HO !!!

YIPE !!!
SPLASH

WAHAHA! EVEN YOU ARE NO MATCH FOR MY BLADE!!
AUGH !!
HAA !!
TAA !!!
EEP---
DASH
OWW !!
TEP
HOP
FLINNNG
G-GOKU !!!!
SNATCH


MY NYOI-BÔ !!!

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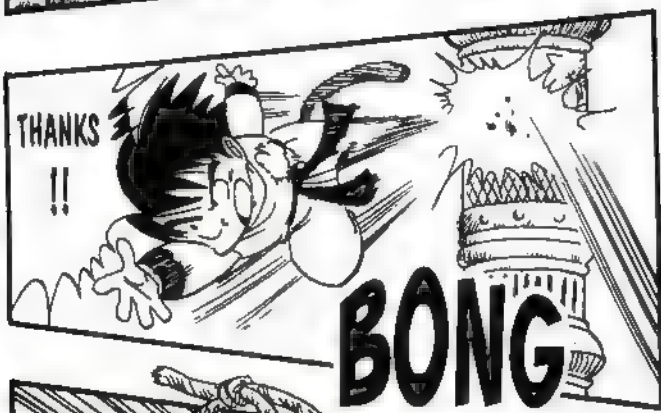
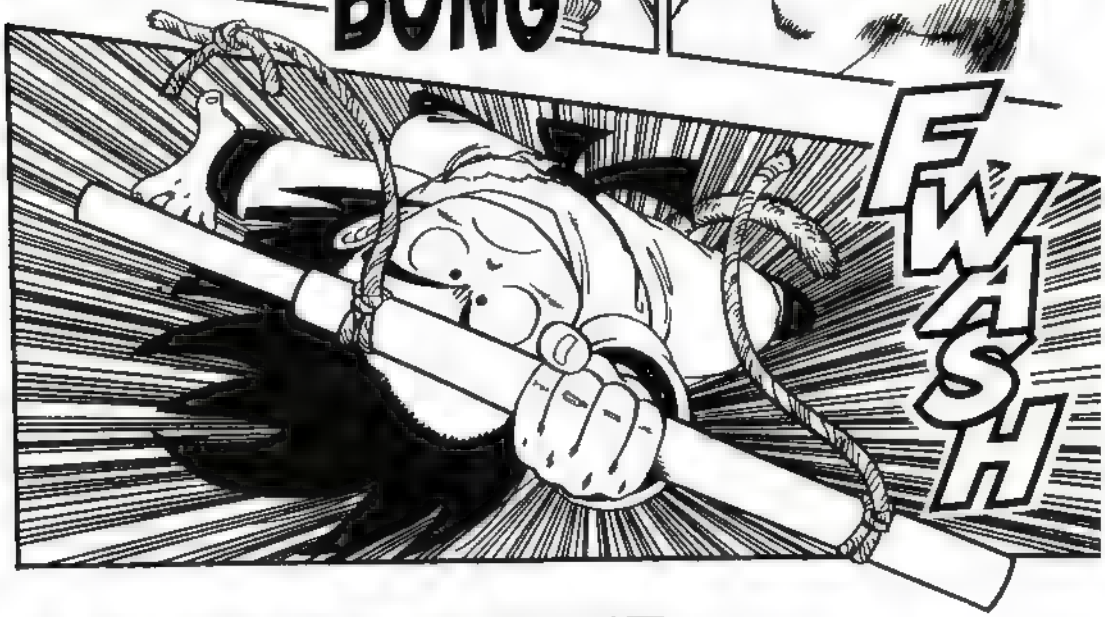

THANKS !!
BONG

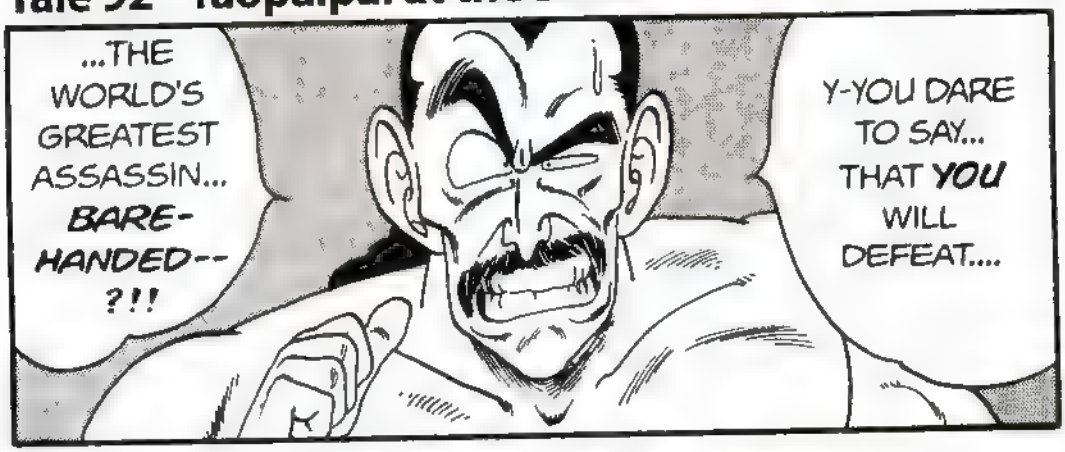

FWASH

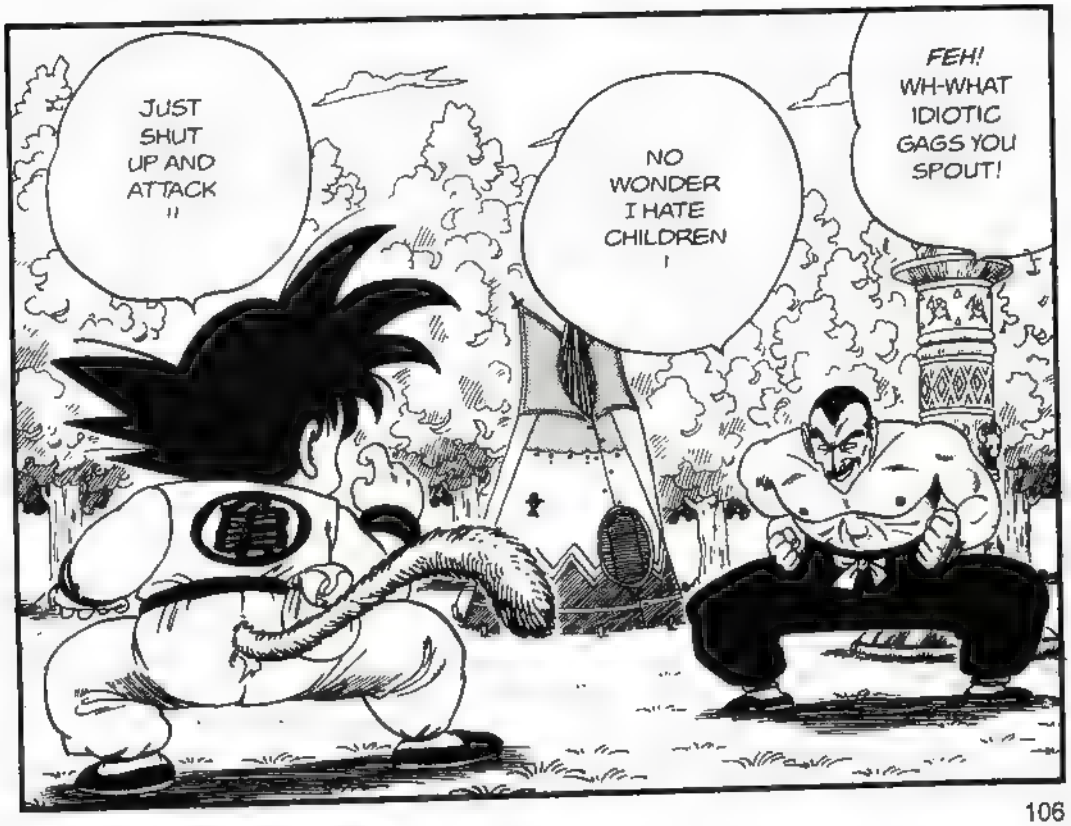
DYAH-- !!!

SSSS

NEXT: Monkey vs. Assassin!

Tale 92 • Taopaipai at the Brink





I KNOW YOU WILL, GOKU!!
I PROMISE TO AVENGE YOUR DAD, UPA !!

YOU WILL BE SORRY !!!
Y-YOU MAKE LIGHT OF ME....

TSUAH !!!!
FYOO

BWOK
TOON
GOG
VWO o
BUDDA
BUDDA
BUDDA

SEI-YAH !!!
DWOOG
WHY ARE YOU JUST LETTING HIM HIT YOU ?!
WH-WHAT'S HAP-PENING, GOKU~ ?!!
HYAAH !!!
LEAP

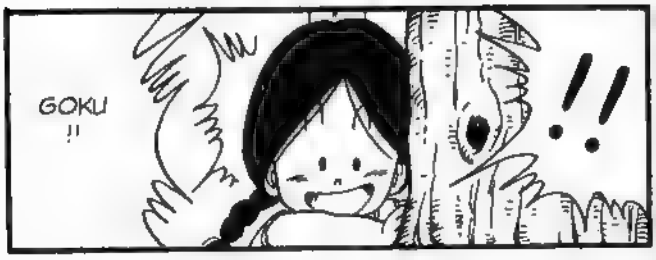
BWAKKK
CHA-!!!!!
HWOOO—
AND NOW-- THE FINAL STRIKE !!!!
SNEER
ZUH-BOOM

DOOF!!

BY THE TIME YOU REALIZED WHAT YOU WERE UP AGAINST, IT WAS ALREADY TOO LATE !!!
HAHAHA !!! DEAD AT LAST, EH ?!!

HUH ?

MWIP


GOKU !!
!!

YOU'RE A MONSTER !!!
Y-

MAN! YOU ARE GOOD !
THAT REALLY HURT !

AND I KNOW HOW TO FIGHT BACK!!!
BUT NOW I'VE SEEN ALL YOUR MOVES!!
IMPU-DENT--
LITTLE--
!!!!
YOU--
HYAH!!!
ZMMMM
DOOOM

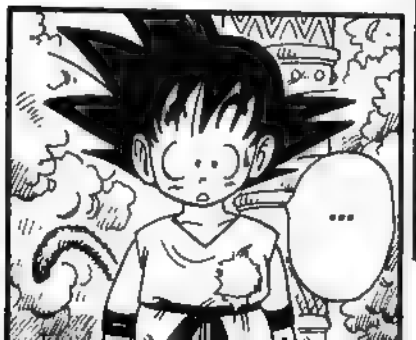
KWAM
KRAAK
DOMmm
TAP
GAG
NNNNH...

TH-THERE HAS TO BE SOME EXPLANATION.... !!!
HIS SPEED... IS IMPOSSIBLE !!

I-I'M FINISHED... UNLESS... !!

HERE I COME AGAIN !!

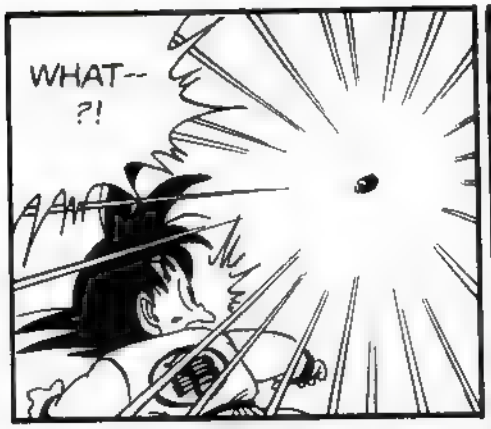
I SWEAR I'LL NEVER COMMIT EVIL DEEDS AGAIN!!


...

FOR-GIVE ME !!!
WAIT!!! I'M SORRY !!!
HUH ?!

WHAT DO YOU WANT TO DO...?
...
B-BUT GEEZ... AFTER EVERY-THING YOU'VE DONE...?
PLEASE!! HAVE MERCY!!

WA-HAHAHA-HAHA!!!


WHAT--?!

IT'S A BOMB--!!!!

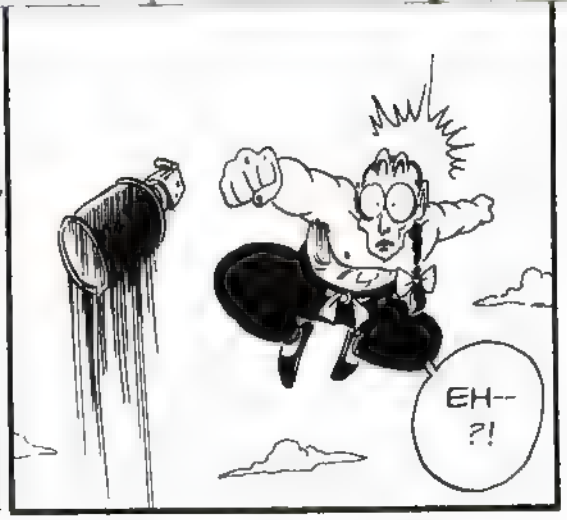
YOU FELL FOR IT!!!!
VOOON

FARE-
WELL---
FOOLS
!!!

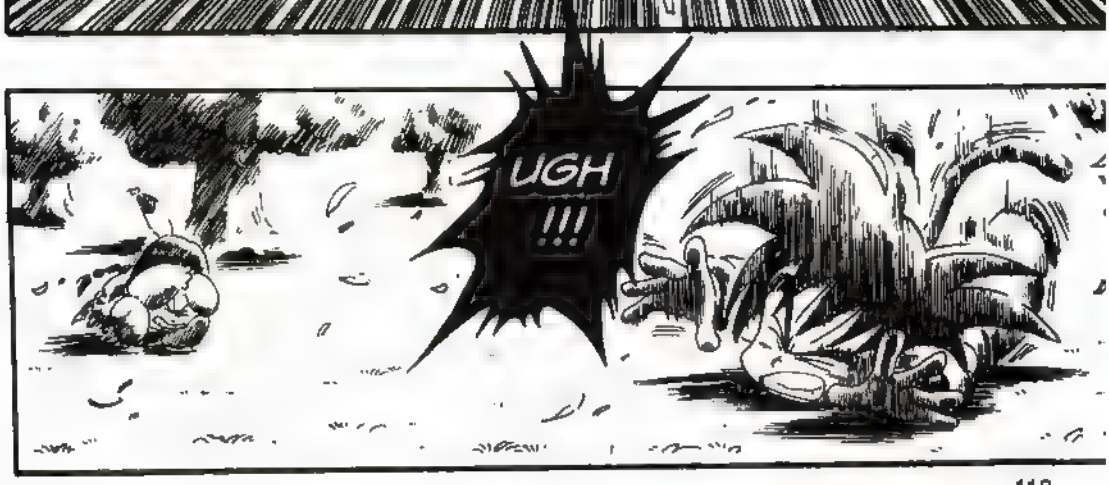
DIVE

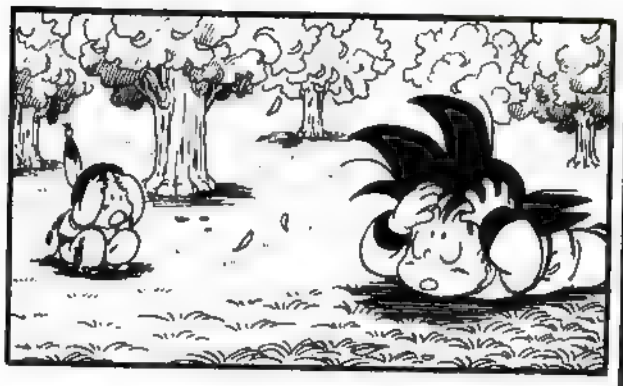
KLONK

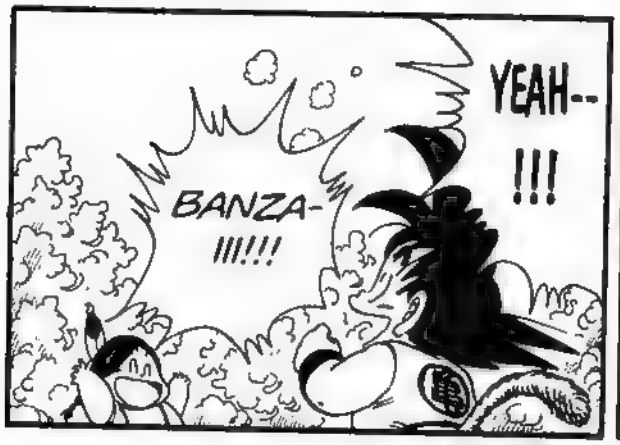
KRAK
NO...

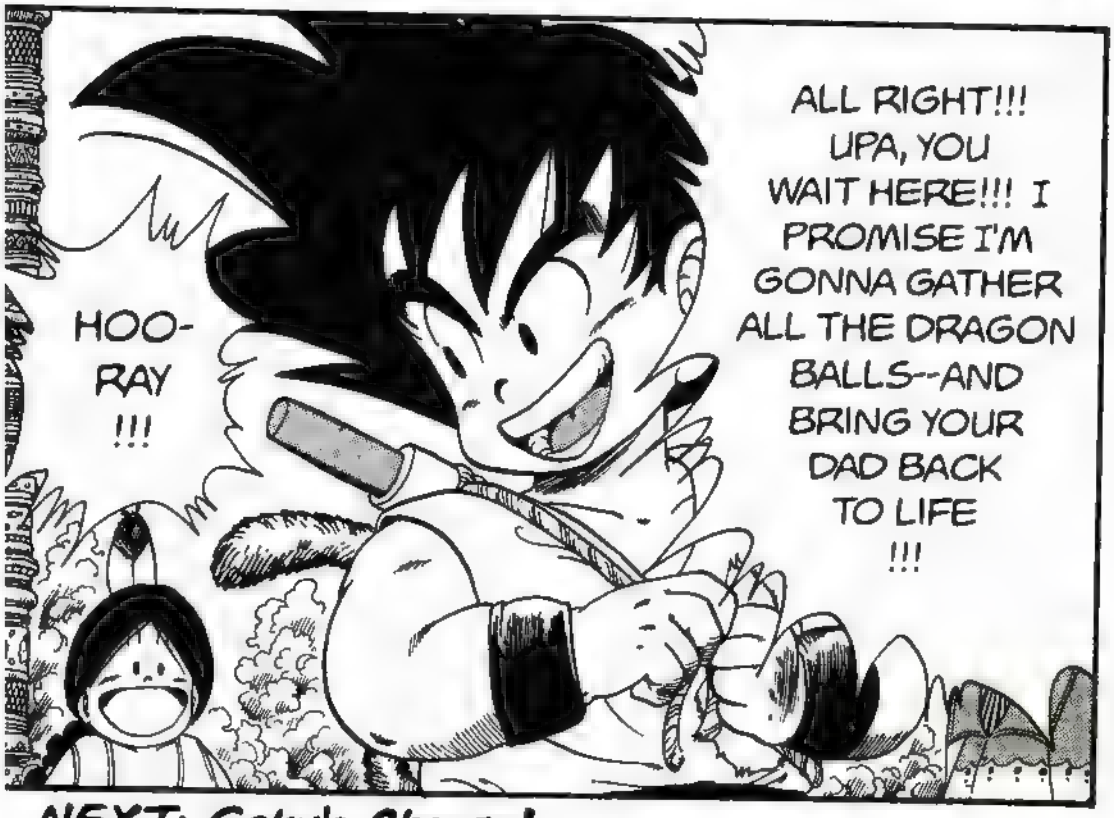

EH--
?!

BAKOOOOM!


UGH
!!!

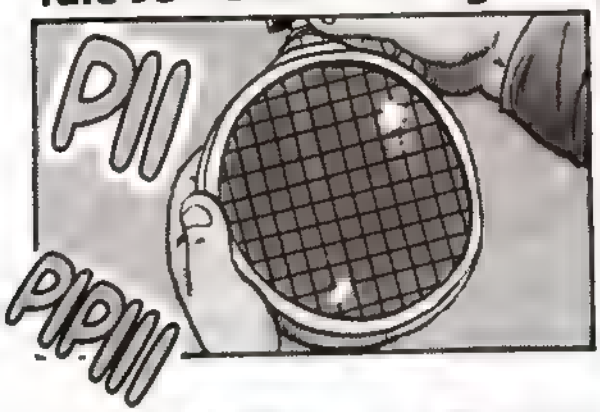


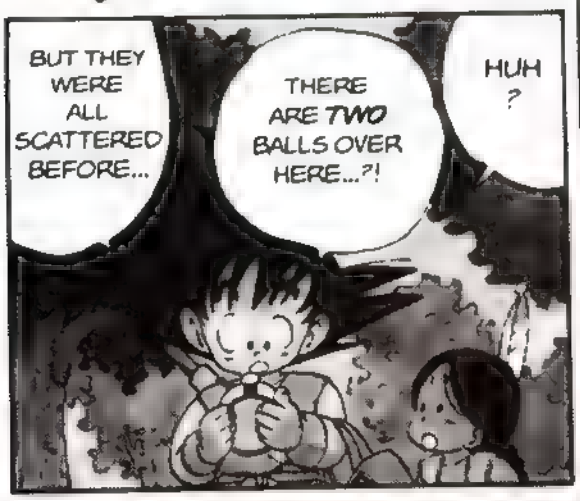


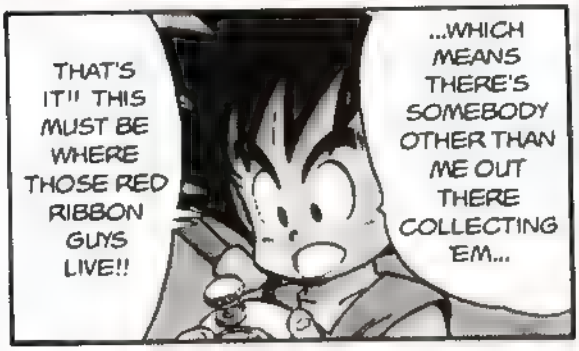


NEXT: Goku's Charge!

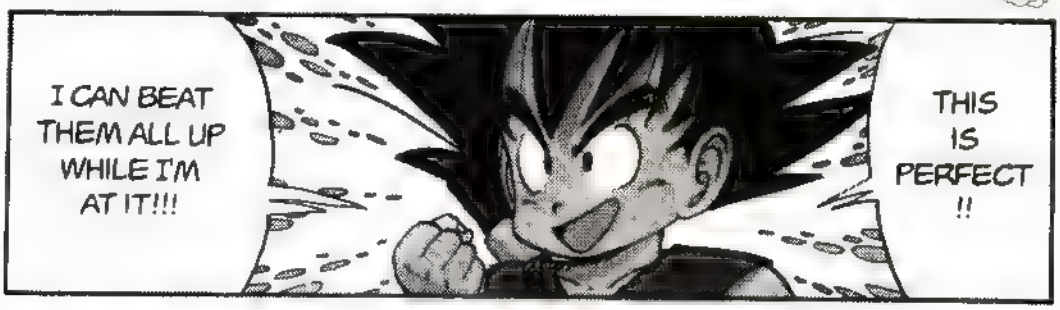
Tale 93 • Goku's Charge







AFTER GAINING TREMENDOUS POWER ON THE KARIN TOWER, GOKU FINALLY TOOK DOWN TAOPAIPAI! NOW HE PLANS TO CONTINUE HIS QUEST FOR DRAGON BALLS SO THAT HE CAN USE THEM TO RESURRECT UPA'S MURDERED FATHER... BUT THERE ARE THREE BALLS LEFT AND HIS NEXT TARGET IS...



RED RIBBON ARMY HQ

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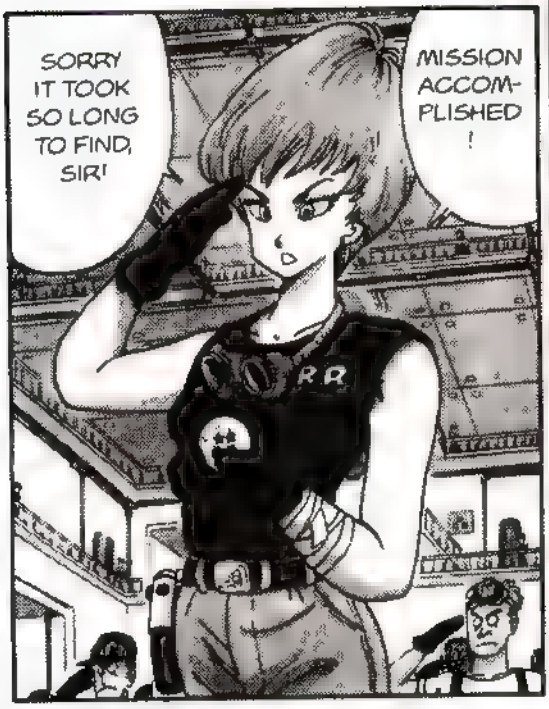
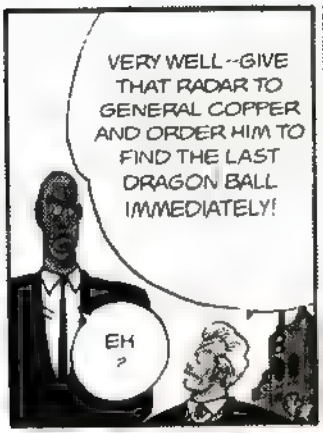
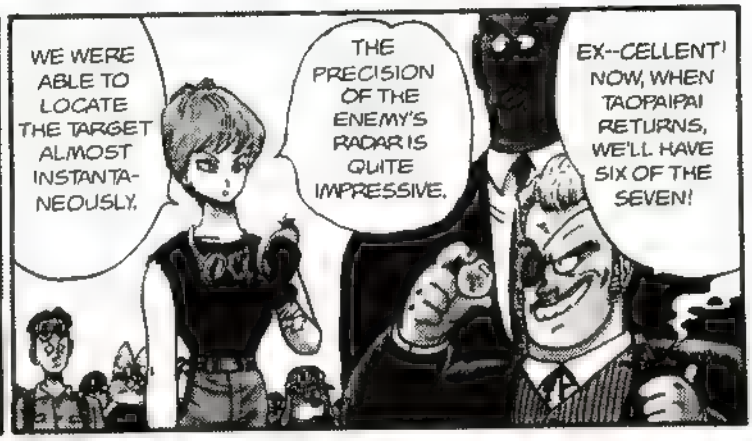
KINTO-UN~~~!

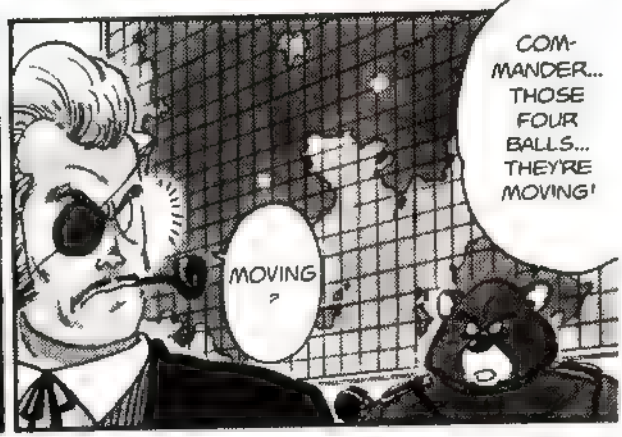

SORRY IT TOOK SO LONG TO FIND, SIR!
MISSION ACCOMPLISHED!

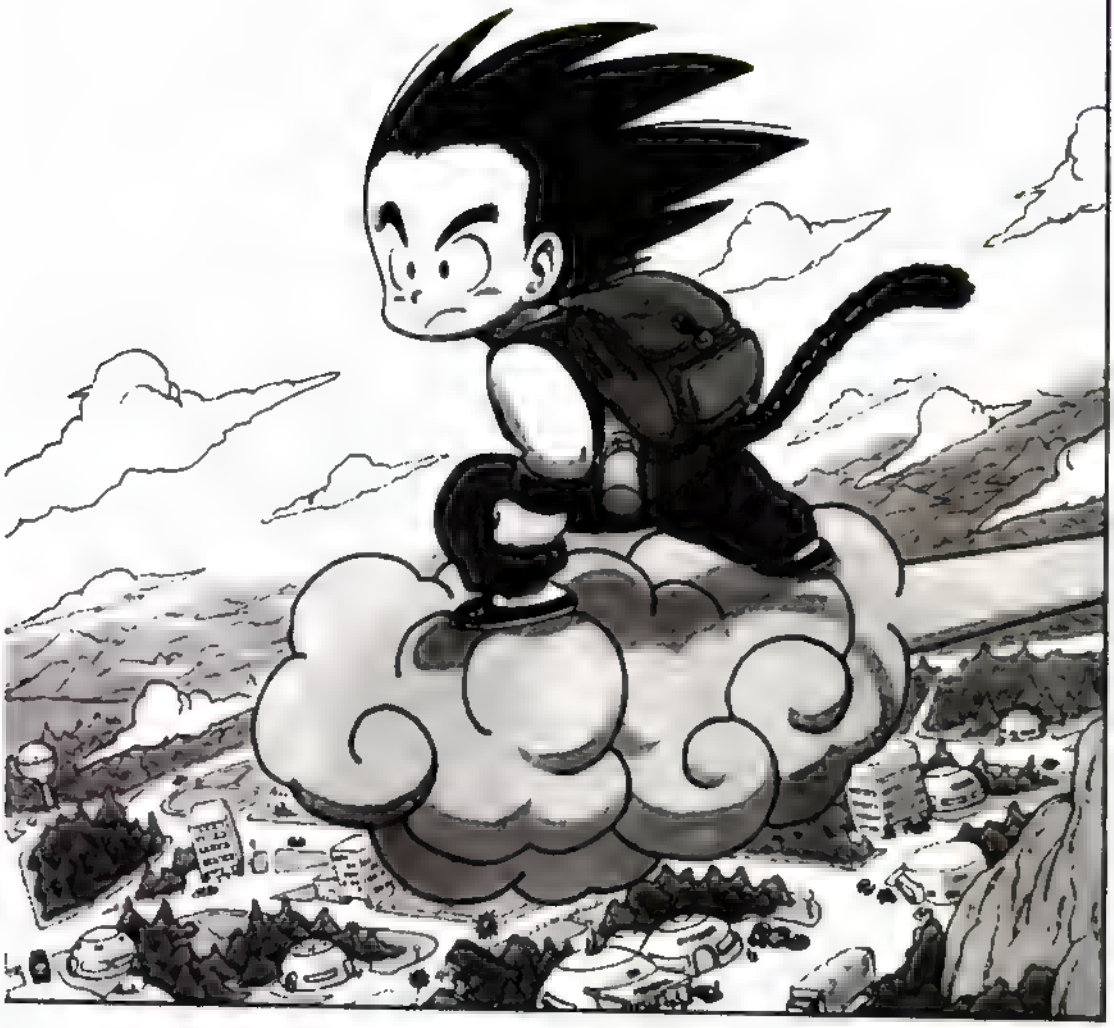
COMMANDER RED, COLONEL VIOLET HAS RETURNED WITH THE DRAGON BALL.
MMM!


VERY WELL--GIVE THAT RADAR TO GENERAL COPPER AND ORDER HIM TO FIND THE LAST DRAGON BALL IMMEDIATELY!
EH?


WE WERE ABLE TO LOCATE THE TARGET ALMOST INSTANTANEOUSLY.
THE PRECISION OF THE ENEMY'S RADAR IS QUITE IMPRESSIVE.
EX--CELLENT! NOW, WHEN TAOPAIPAI RETURNS, WE'LL HAVE SIX OF THE SEVEN!

IT'S TAOPAIPAI....

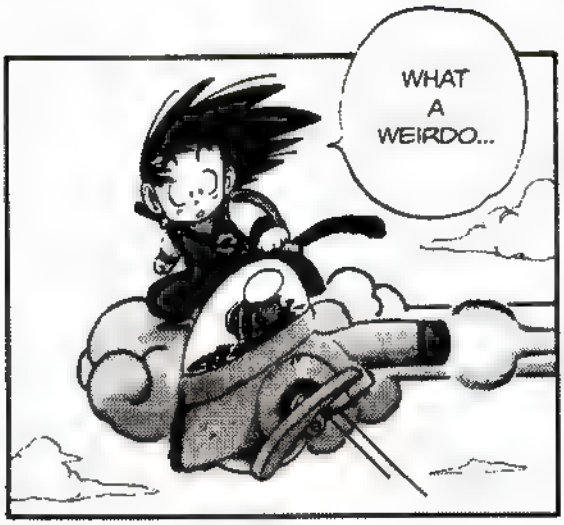

COMMANDER... THOSE FOUR BALLS... THEY'RE MOVING!
MOVING?



WHAT'S THAT ?

HUH ?

HYUUUUN


WHAT A WEIRDO...

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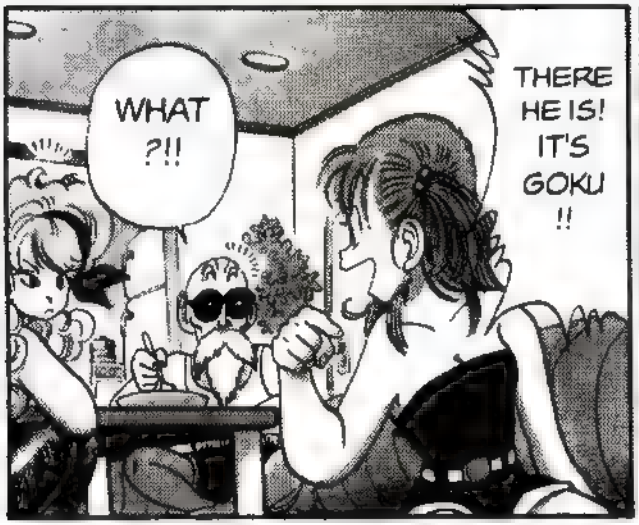
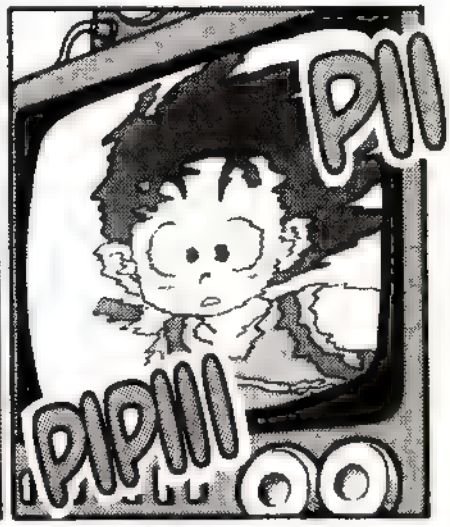

WHAT ?!!
THERE HE IS! IT'S GOKU !!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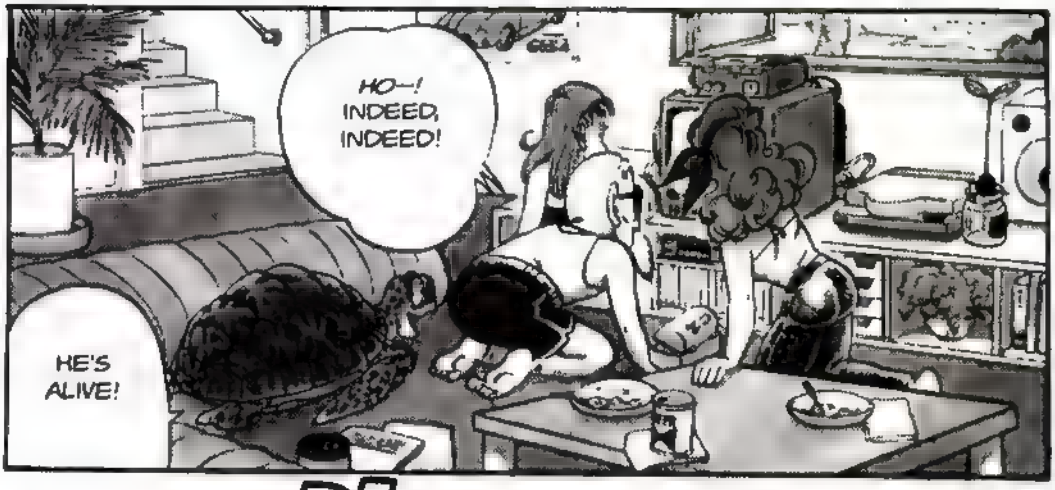
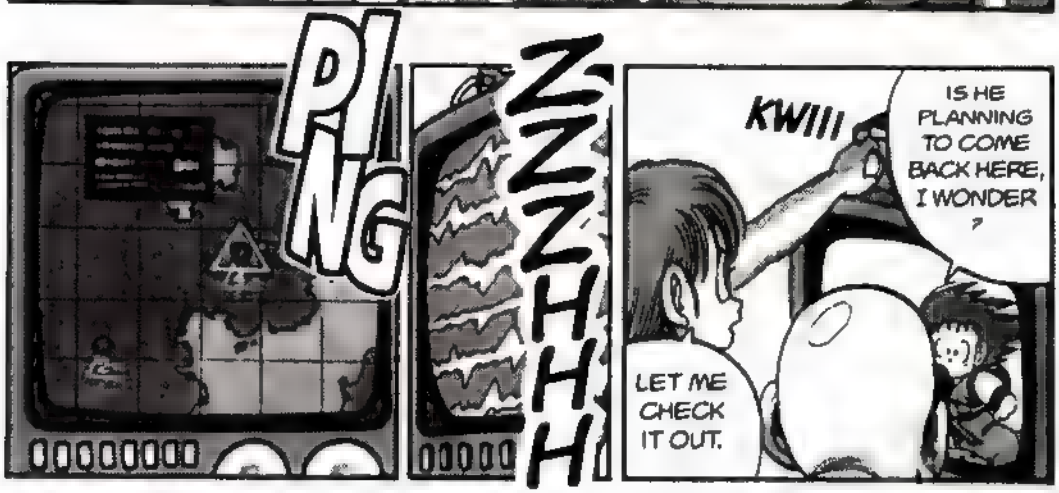
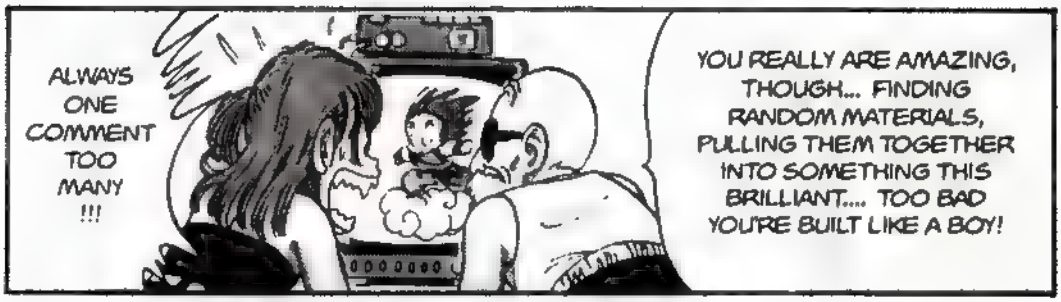
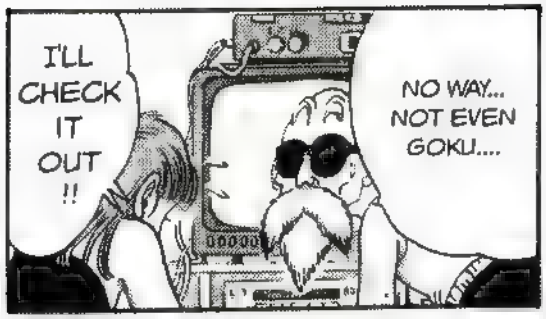

HO—! INDEED, INDEED!
HE'S ALIVE!


PING
ZZZHHHH
KWIII
IS HE PLANNING TO COME BACK HERE, I WONDER ?
LET ME CHECK IT OUT.

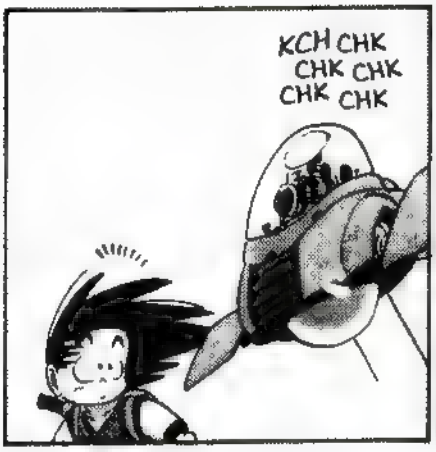
THAT LOCA-TION...
YOU'D THINK HE COULD AT LEAST STOP AND SAY HI !
LOOKS LIKE HE'S HEADING TOWARDS WHERE THESE TWO DRAGON BALLS ARE!
NOPE...


ALWAYS ONE COMMENT TOO MANY !!!
YOU REALLY ARE AMAZING, THOUGH... FINDING RANDOM MATERIALS, PULLING THEM TOGETHER INTO SOMETHING THIS BRILLIANT.... TOO BAD YOU'RE BUILT LIKE A BOY!


I'LL CHECK IT OUT !!
NO WAY... NOT EVEN GOKU....

...IS HE HEADING FOR RED RIBBON ARMY HEAD-QUARTERS ?
AM I WRONG OR....
WHAT ?!

BP BP BP
I'LL SEND THE RECON MECH TO WHERE THE TWO BALLS ARE!
CHECK IT OUT... HOW ?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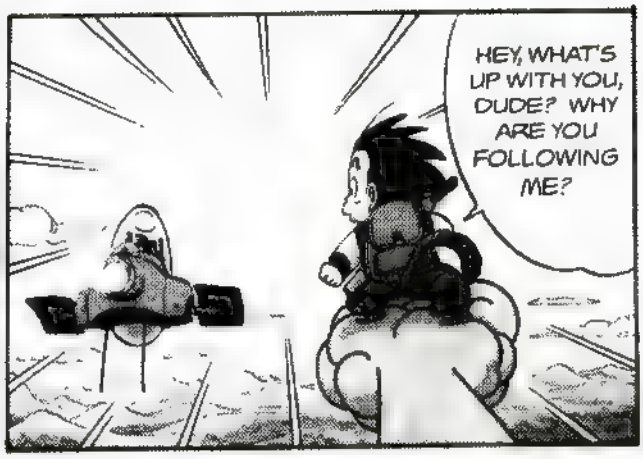
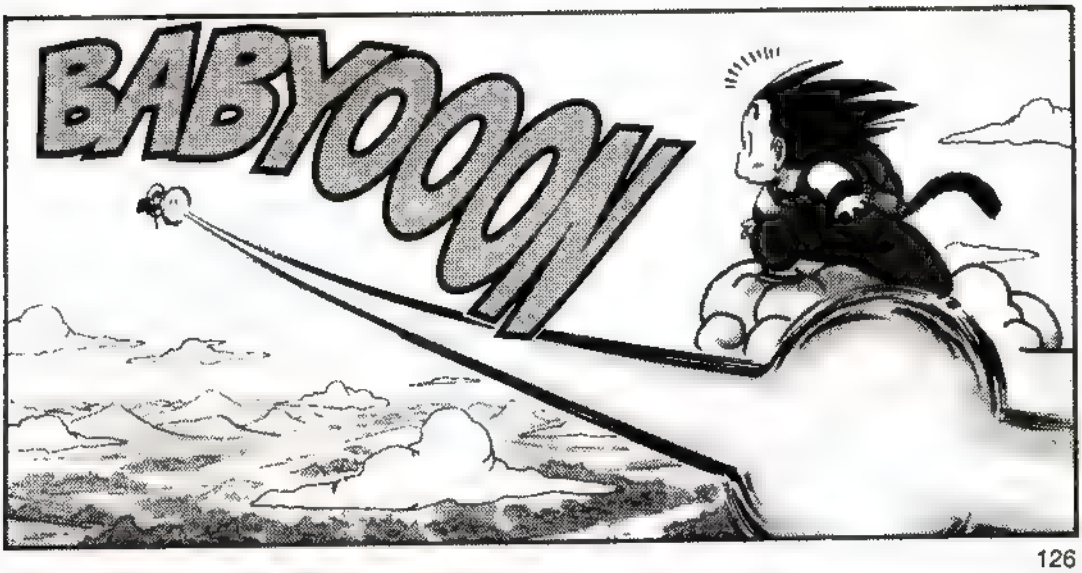
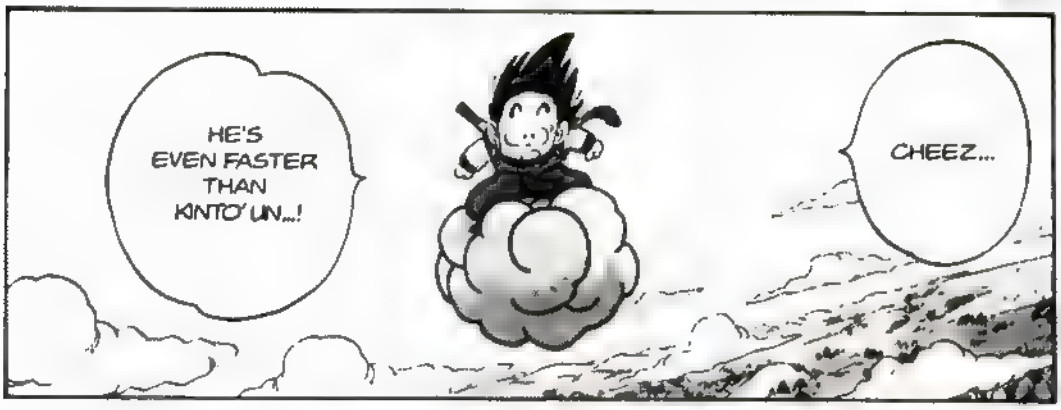
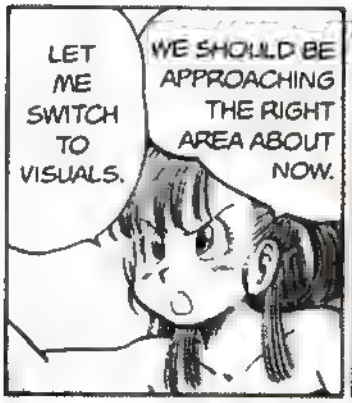
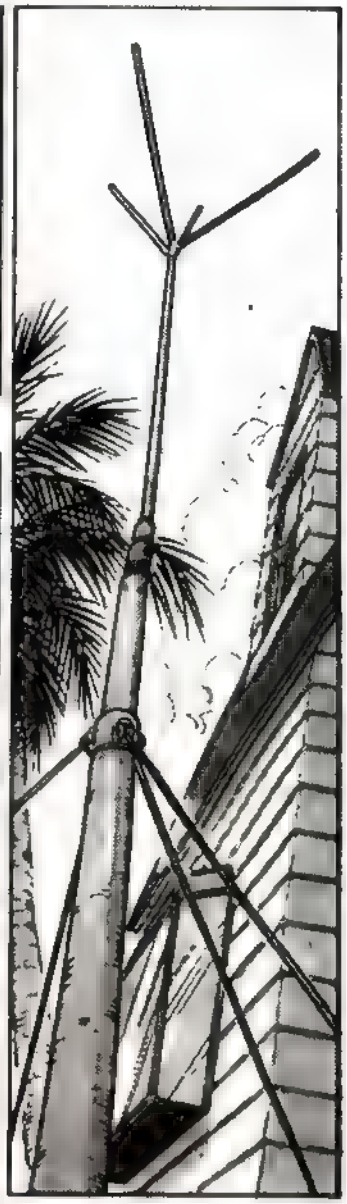
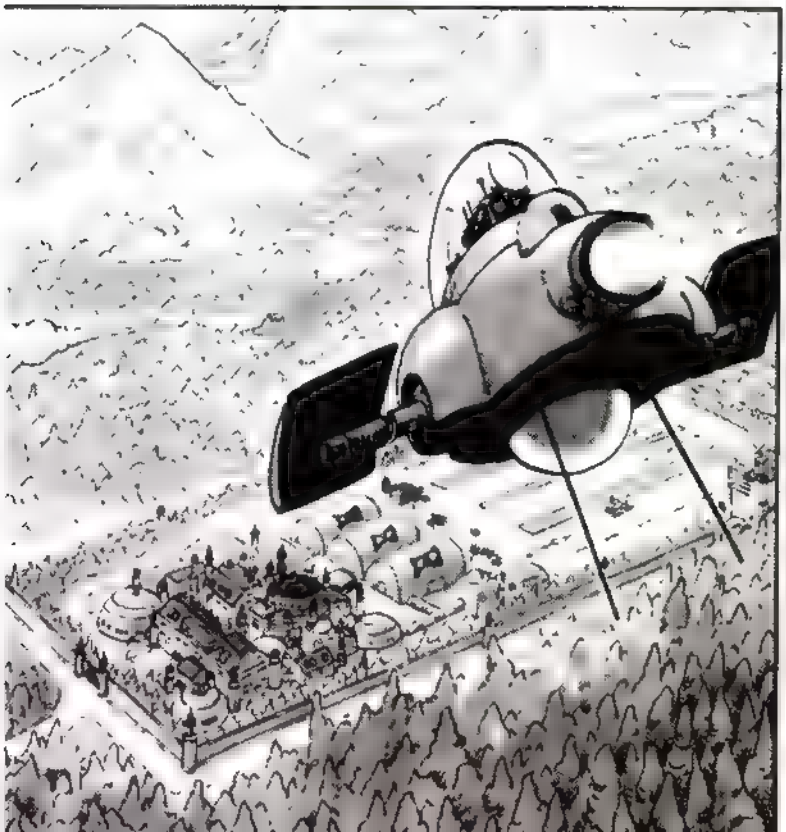

HEY, WHAT'S UP WITH YOU, DUDE? WHY ARE YOU FOLLOWING ME?


BABYOOOM

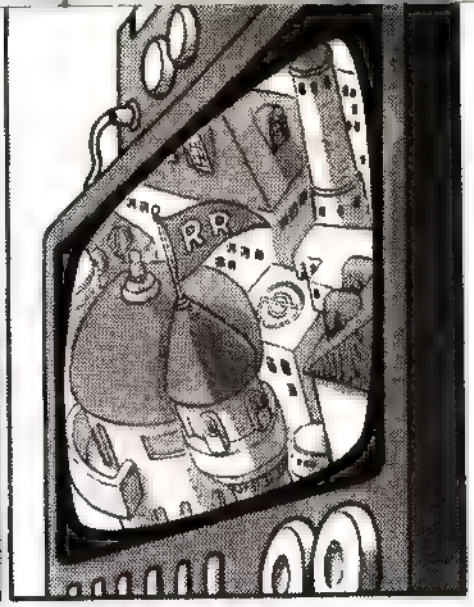

HE'S EVEN FASTER THAN KINTO'UN...!
CHEEZ...

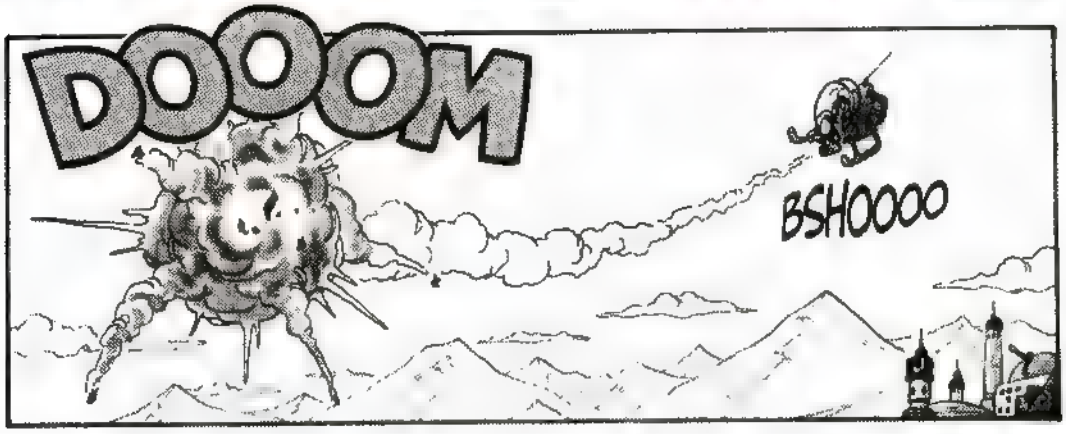

LET ME SWITCH TO VISUALS.
WE SHOULD BE APPROACHING THE RIGHT AREA ABOUT NOW.

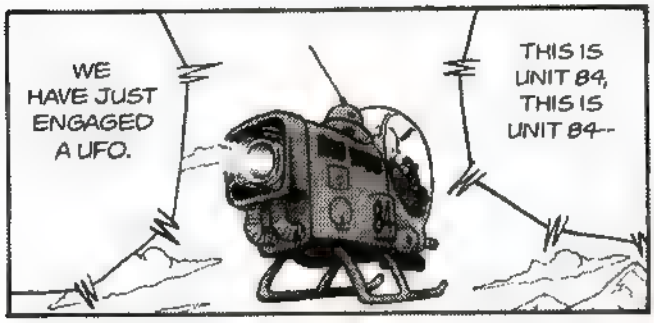


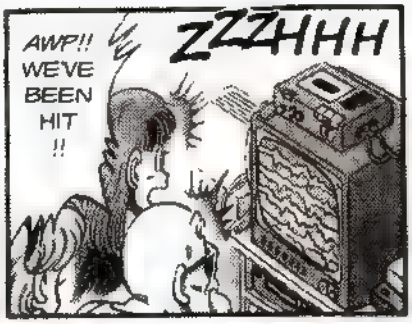


D-DON'T TELL ME HE'S P-PLANNING TO INVADE THAT...?!
IT'S THEIR CENTRAL COMMAND...
..ULP... YOU WERE RIGHT...

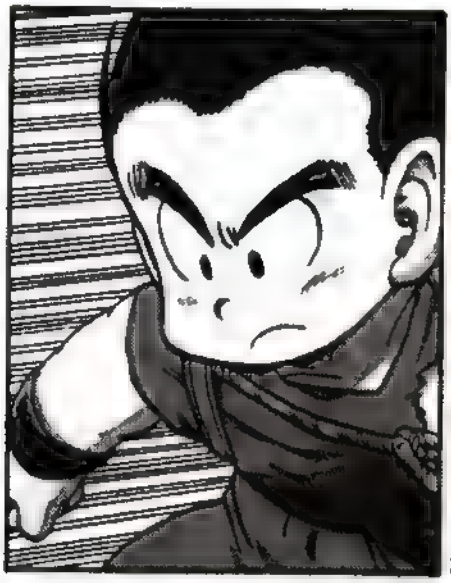



DOOOM
BSHOOOO

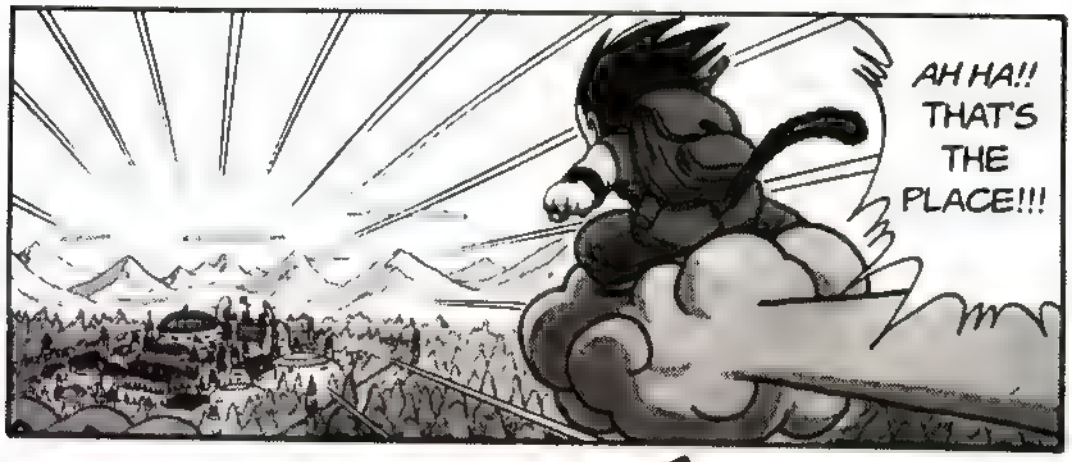

WE HAVE JUST ENGAGED A UFO.
THIS IS UNIT 84, THIS IS UNIT 84--


AWP!! WE'VE BEEN HIT !!
ZZZHHH

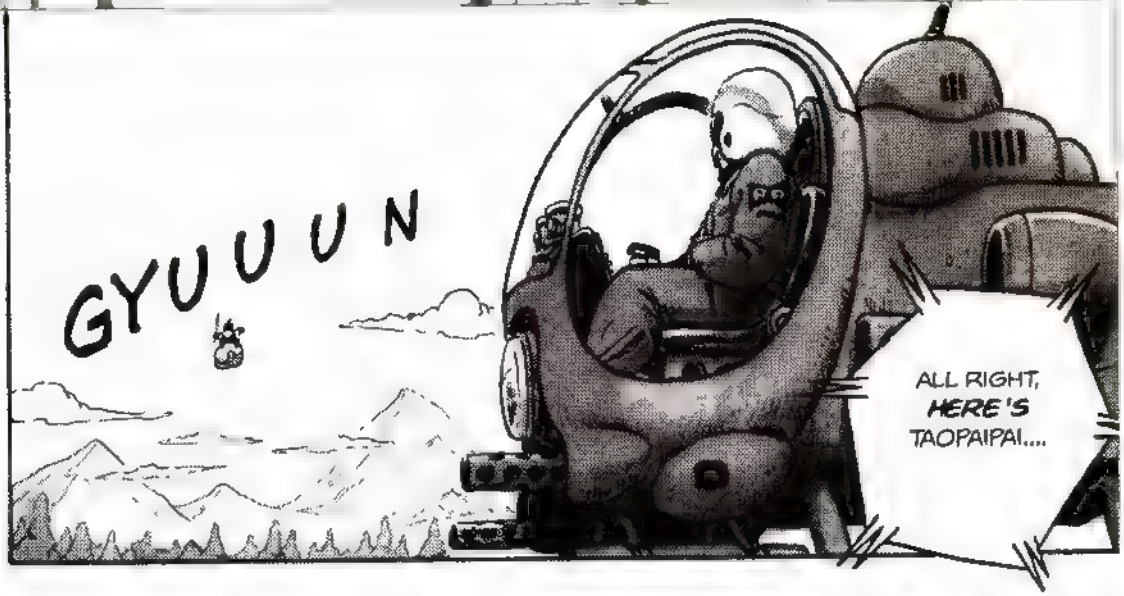
DON'T WORRY, DON'T WORRY. IT WAS JUST A MINIATURE RECON UNIT OR SOME SUCH.
NO!! IT'S TAOPAIPAI!! HE'S COMING OUR WAY !!

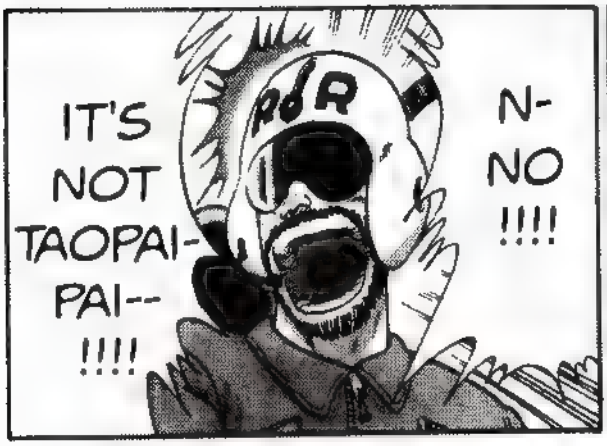


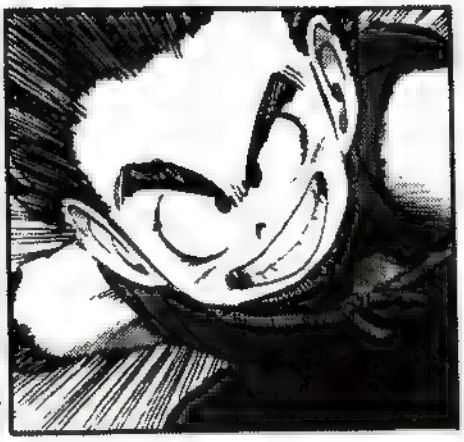
AT LAST, TAOPAIPAI HAS ARRIVED WITH HIS TROPHIES!
THE FOUR DRAGON BALLS HAVE ARRIVED !


AH HA!! THAT'S THE PLACE!!!

LET'S HAVE SOME FUN !!!!
O--- KAY-- !!


GYUUUN
ALL RIGHT, HERE'S TAOPAIPAI....

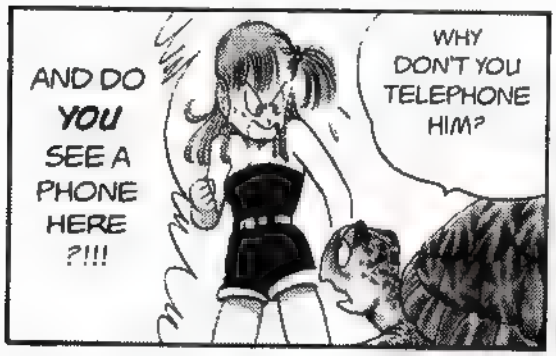

IT'S NOT TAOPAI-PAI--!!!!
N-NO!!!!

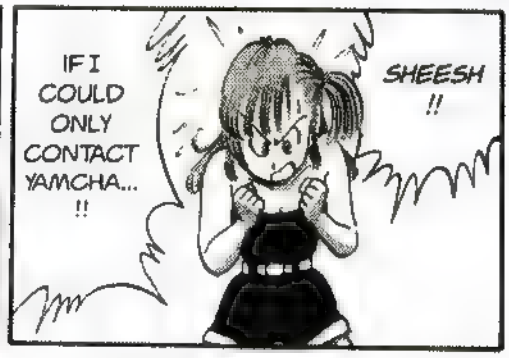


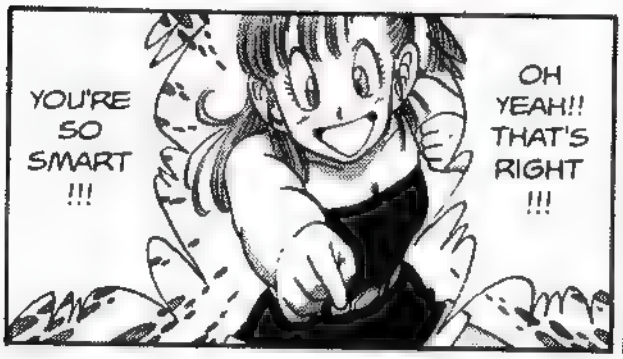
I SUPPOSE OUR ONLY CHOICE IS TO GO HELP HIM.
NO, NO.... JUST STUPID...

OH, THAT'S RIGHT!
AND HOW, MAY I ASK, WILL YOU GET THERE?
WE DON'T HAVE ANY TRANSPORTATION LEFT HERE, DO WE...?

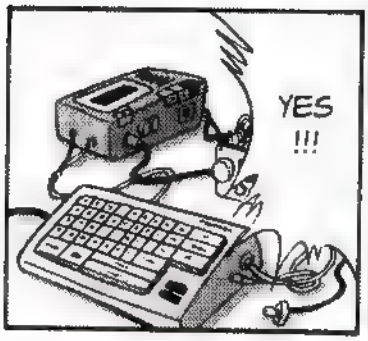
NOT EVEN GOKU'S STRONG ENOUGH TO HANDLE THE WHOLE RED RIBBON ARMY!! HE'LL BE SLAUGHTERED!!
WHAT ARE WE GONNA DO?!
HE MUST BE INSANE...!

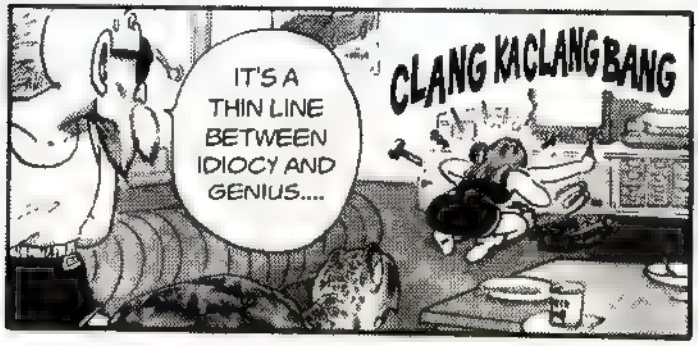

AND DO YOU SEE A PHONE HERE ?!!!
WHY DON'T YOU TELEPHONE HIM?


IF I COULD ONLY CONTACT YAMCHA... !!
SHEESH !!

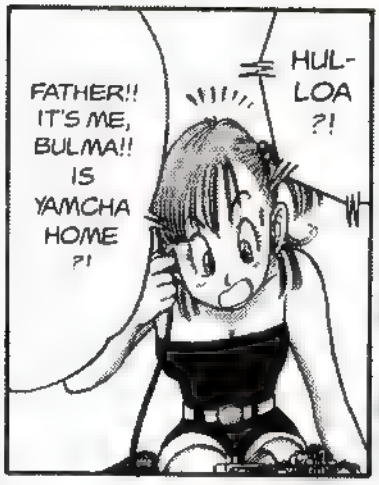

YOU'RE SO SMART !!!
OH YEAH!! THAT'S RIGHT !!!

THEN SURELY SOMETHING AS SIMPLE AS A TELEPHONE SHOULDN'T BE.....?
BUT MA'AM, IF YOU COULD BUILD THAT...


YES !!!

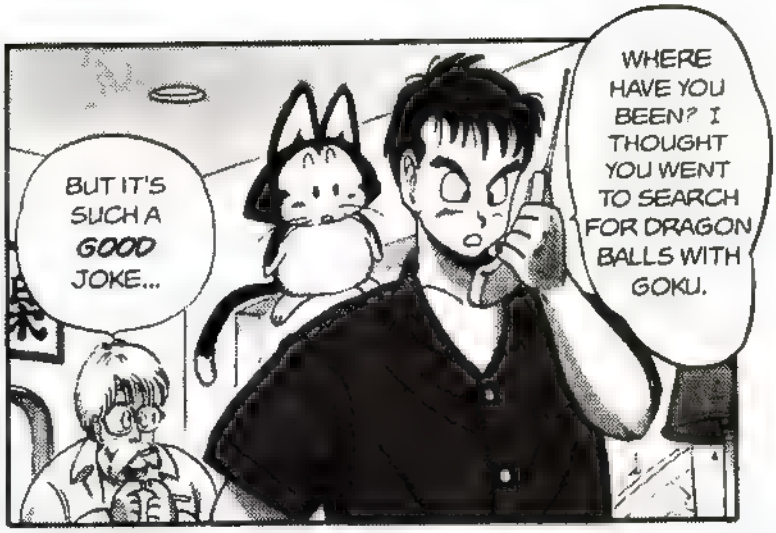

IT'S A THIN LINE BETWEEN IDIOCY AND GENIUS....
CLANG KACLANG BANG

BULMA! LONG TIME NO SPEAK! OH, THIS IS PERFECT, I JUST CAME UP WITH A HILARIOUS JOKE! LISTEN TO THIS....
WILL YOU JUST PUT YAMCHA ON ?!!!

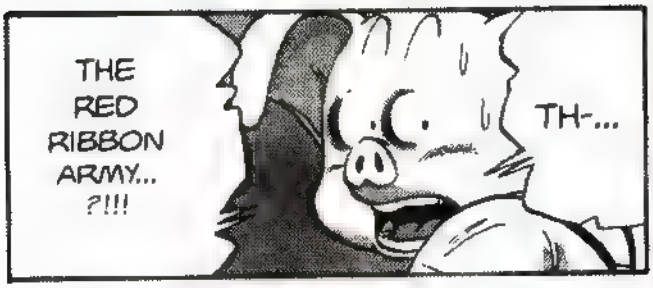

FATHER!! IT'S ME, BULMA!! IS YAMCHA HOME ?!
HUL-LOA ?!

KCHAK CHAK-CHAK-CHAK

WH-WHAT?! GOKU'S TAKING ON THE WHAT...?!


BUT IT'S SUCH A GOOD JOKE...
WHERE HAVE YOU BEEN? I THOUGHT YOU WENT TO SEARCH FOR DRAGON BALLS WITH GOKU.

I THINK I'LL JUST GO OVER HERE...
SNEAK SNEAK
THIS CAN'T BE GOOD IF HE'S SO EXCITED...
UH-HUH... YEAH....GOT IT!! I'LL LEAVE RIGHT AWAY!!


THE RED RIBBON ARMY...?!!!
TH-...

PU'AR! OOLONG! WE'RE GOING TO GO HELP GOKU!! WE'RE RIDING INTO THE RED RIBBON ARMY!!!
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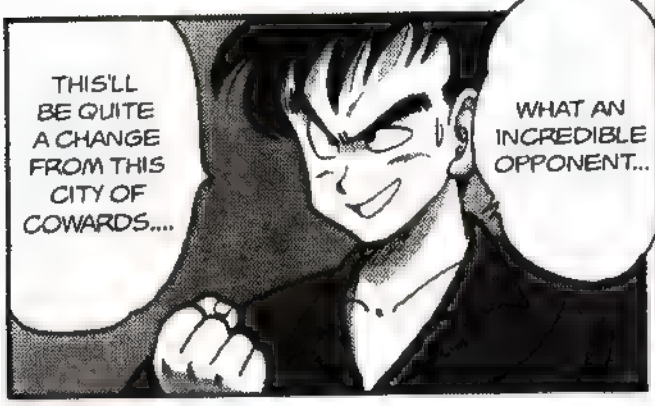
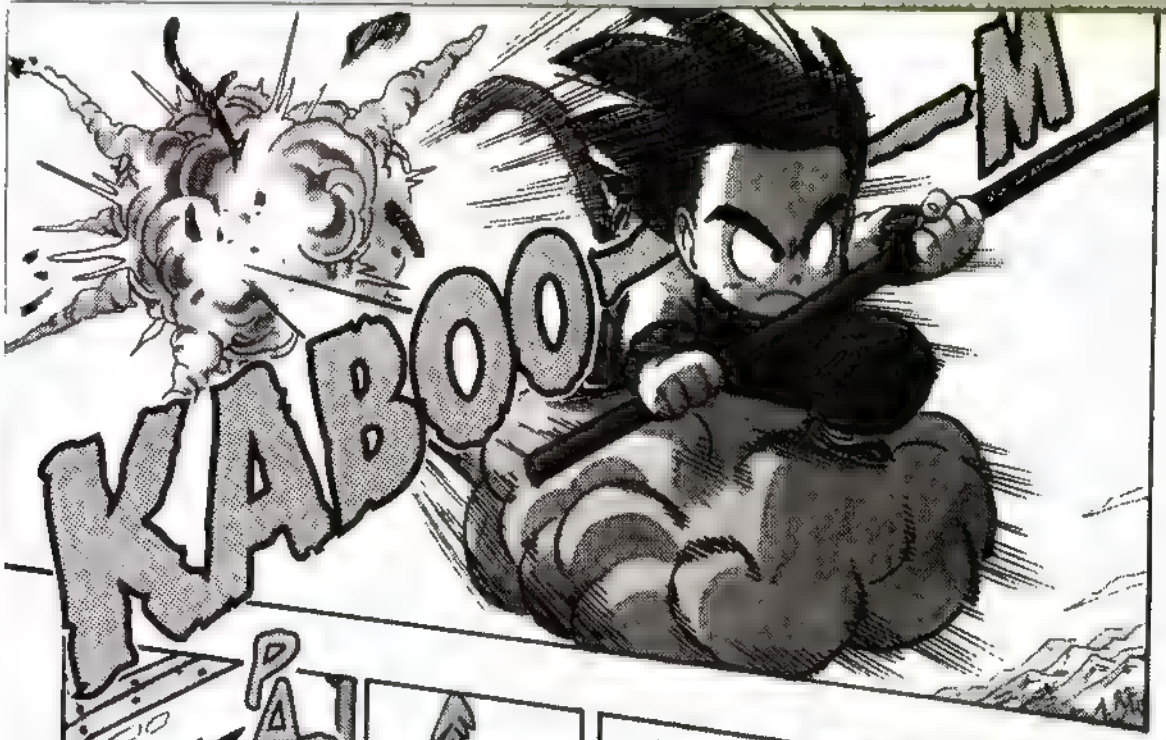

THIS'LL BE QUITE A CHANGE FROM THIS CITY OF COWARDS....
WHAT AN INCREDIBLE OPPONENT...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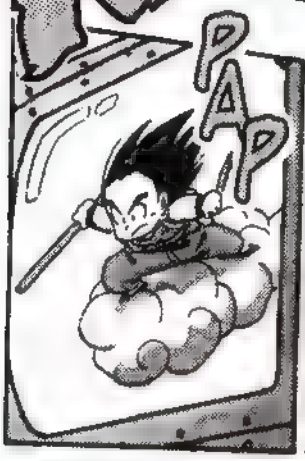
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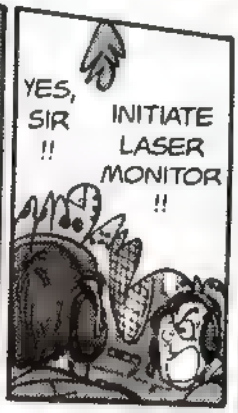

YES, SIR !!
INITIATE LASER MONITOR !!

HE'S... HE'S BEEN TAKEN OUT...!! WHAT'S GOING ON?!!
UNIT 84, RESPOND !!...

WH-
WHAT...
?!!!

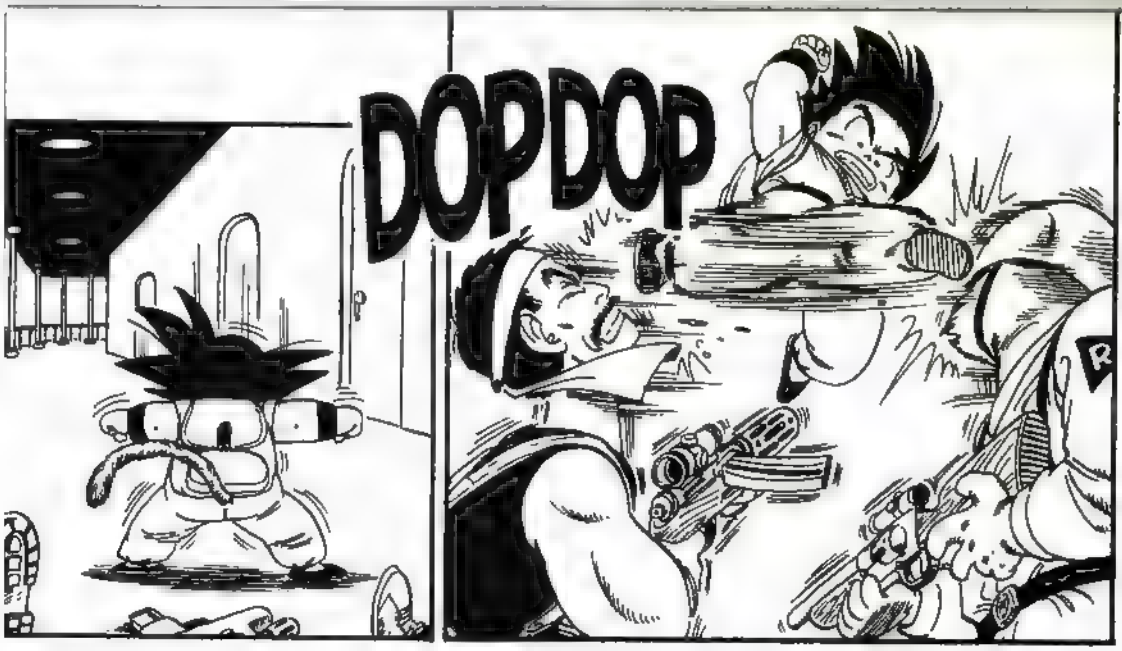
C-COMMANDER!!! THE POSSESSOR OF THE BALLS IS *NOT* TAOPAIPAI!!! IT'S THAT KID... SON GOKU!!!

OH !!!!

Tale 94 • Attack from the Sky!

CHAA-AAAAA-ARGE--!!
ALL---RIGHT!!!!
WHAT IS THAT BRAT DOING HERE ?!!!!
IT CAN'T MEAN... BUT IT HAS TO MEAN.... HE DEFEATED THE TERRIBLE TAOPAIPAI....
RR
GYOOOO

...GRRR...!
HE'S ALREADY IN!! HE'S ON SECTOR 12'S TERRACE!!
DON'T LET HIM PENETRATE!! NOT A SINGLE STEP!!
B-KRAK
RAT-TAT-TAT-TAT!!
BLAM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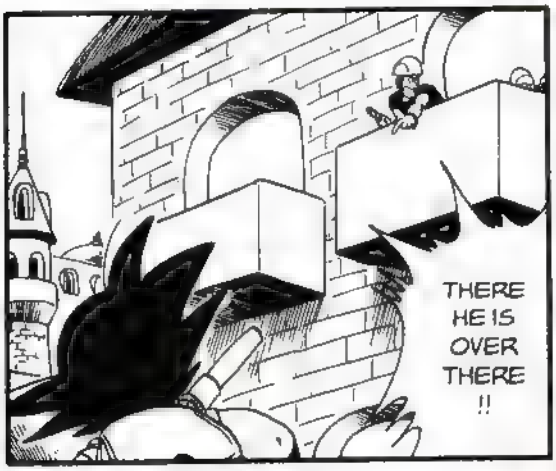
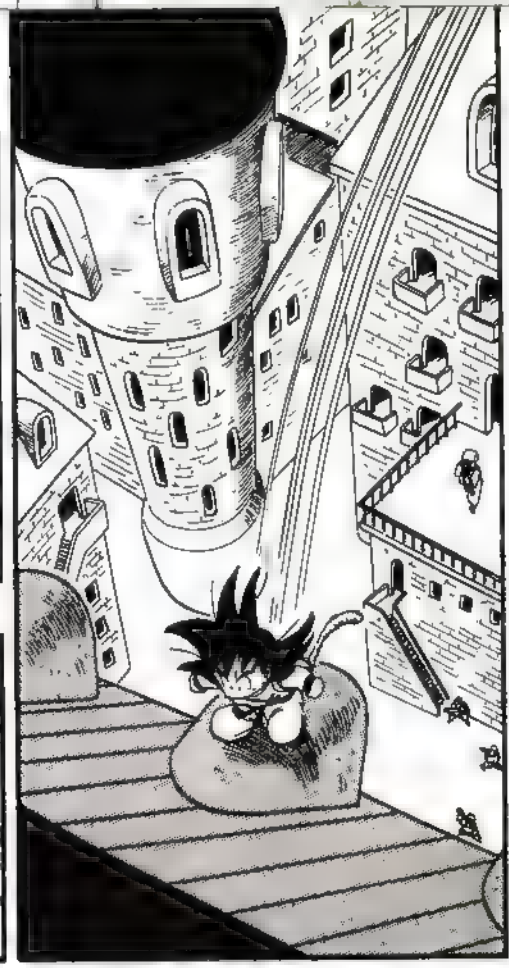
TWA

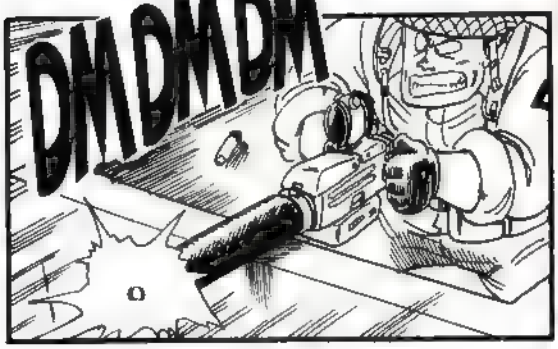
VVVV

PIP

THAT WAY, I'LL BET!


THERE HE IS OVER THERE !!

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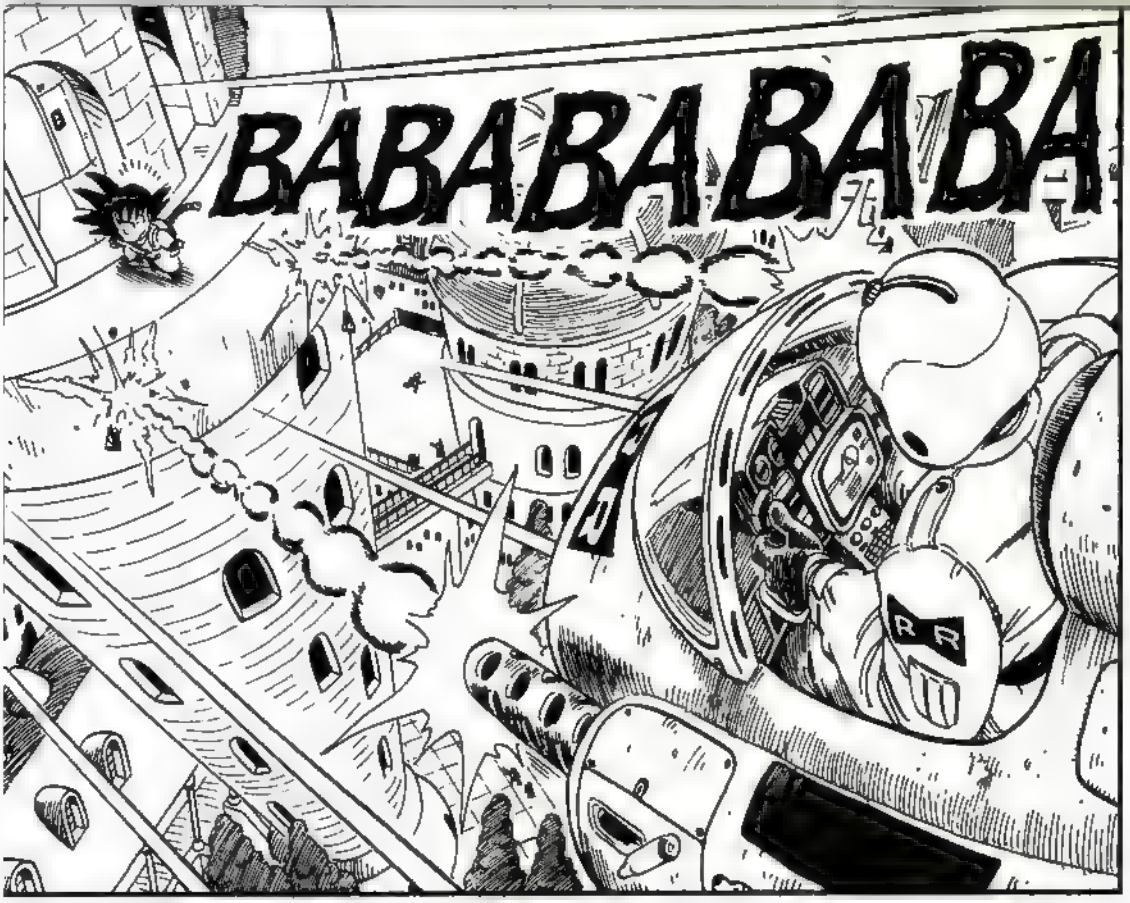
HYUUUN HYUUUN

PYONG
DM
DM
PA PA PA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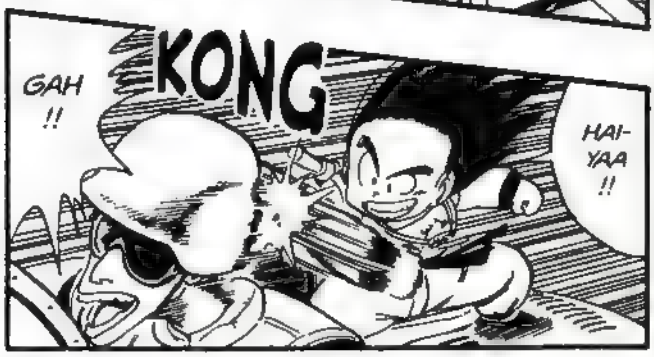
OH !!!
DOMPF

LEAP
HYUUN
BABABA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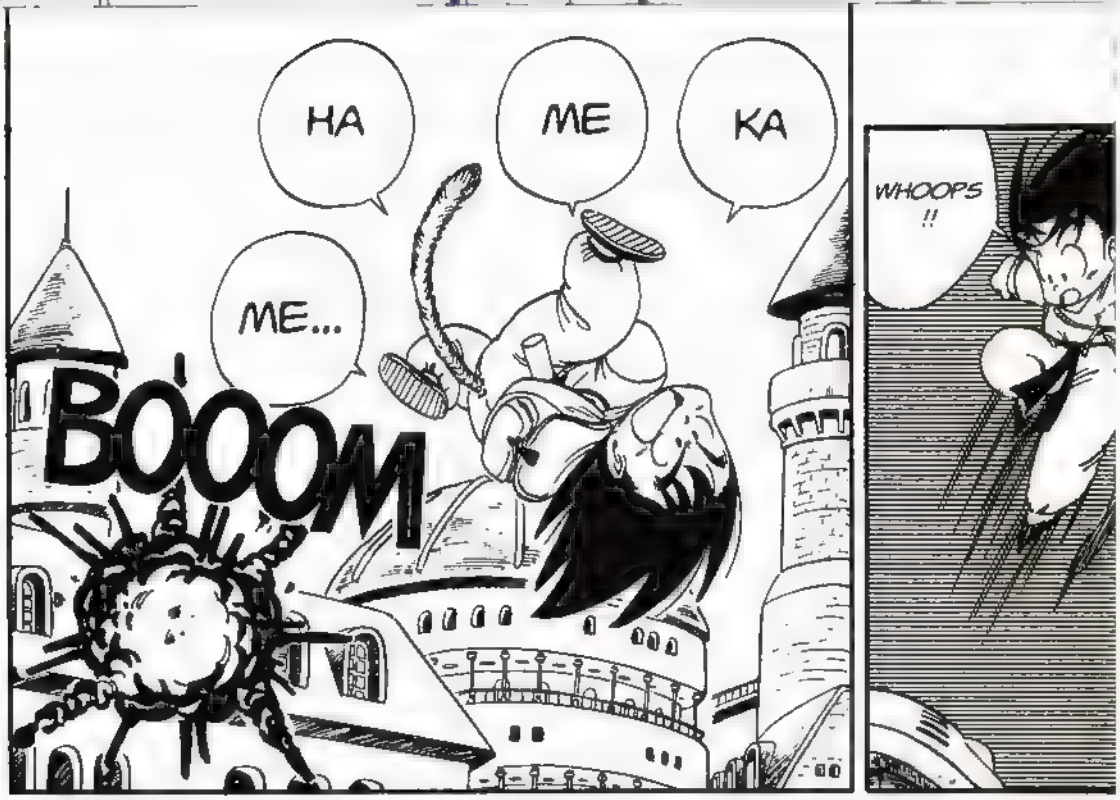
KONG
HAI-YAA !!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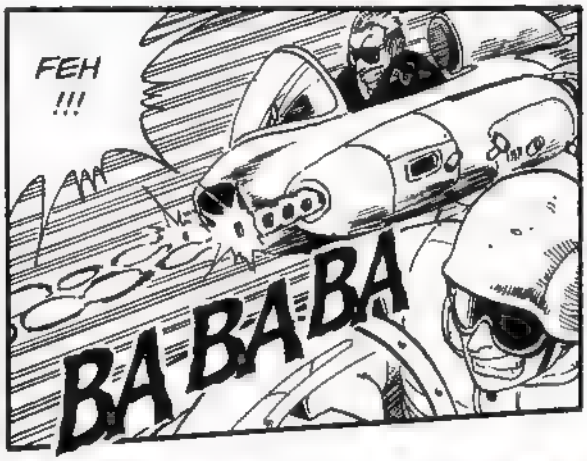
KA
ME...
BOOOM
WHOOPS !!

HAA !!!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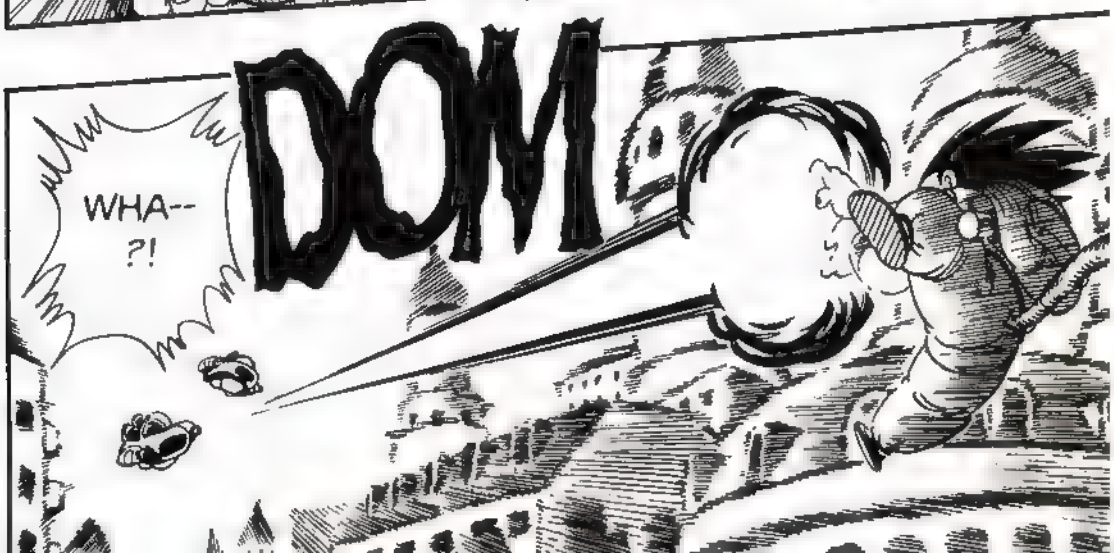
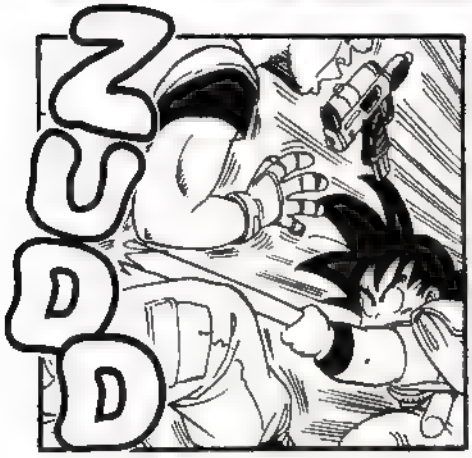
BA BA BA


WHA-- ?!
DOM

BONF
WAAH !!!
N-NO !!
PA PA PA
DOOOM
OVER HERE!! HE'S ON THE GROUND--!!

YOU'VE GOT TO BE KIDDING!! ME?!! HIDE FROM ONE STUPID LITTLE BRAT?!!!
COMMANDER!! PLEASE EVACUATE TO THE UNDER-GROUND BUNKER, JUST IN CASE!!

HE'S HEADING STRAIGHT FOR TOWER 8!!
SO HE DOES WANT THE DRAGON BALLS, JUST AS I SUSPECTED...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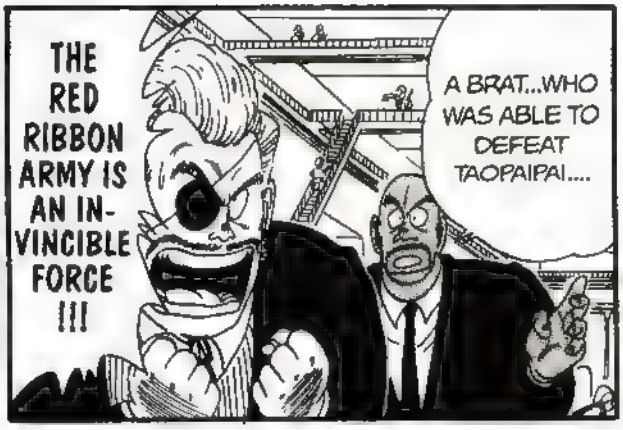
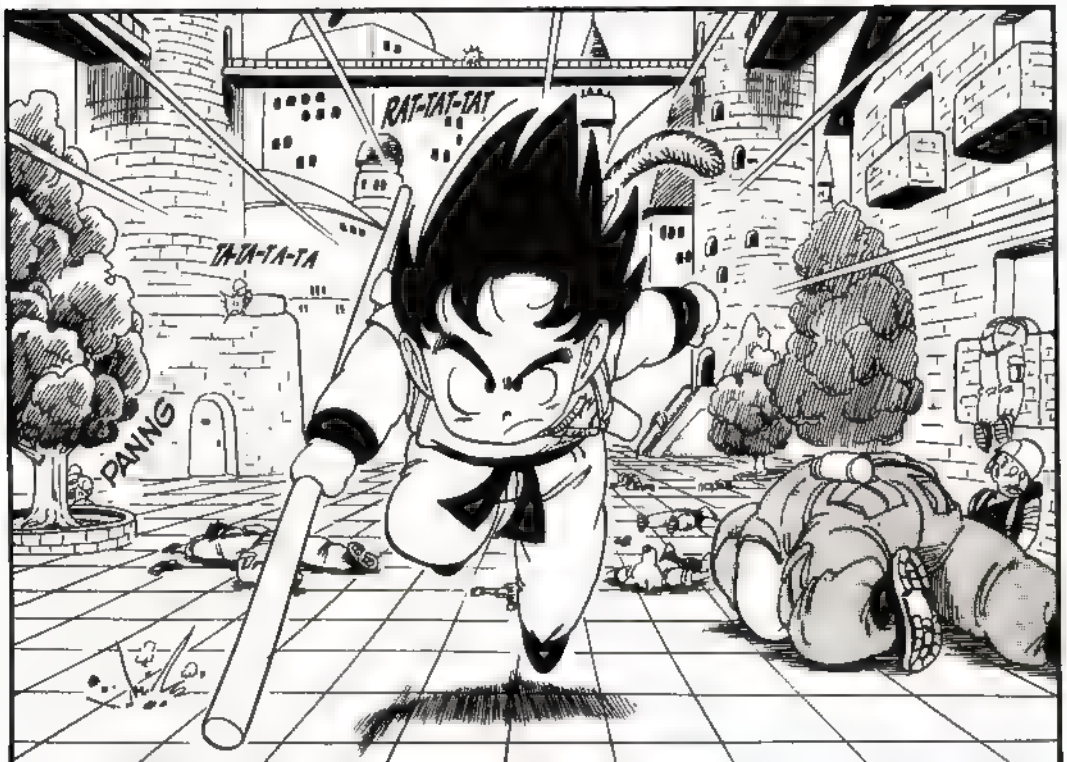

THE RED RIBBON ARMY IS AN IN-VINCIBLE FORCE !!!
A BRAT...WHO WAS ABLE TO DEFEAT TAOPAIPAI....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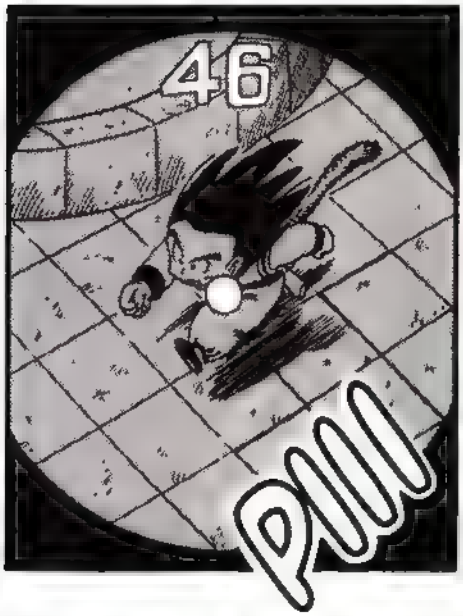
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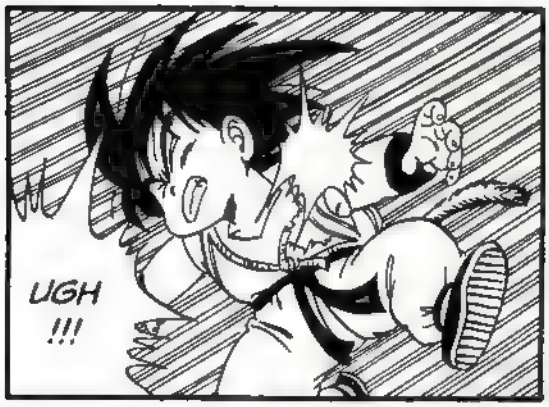
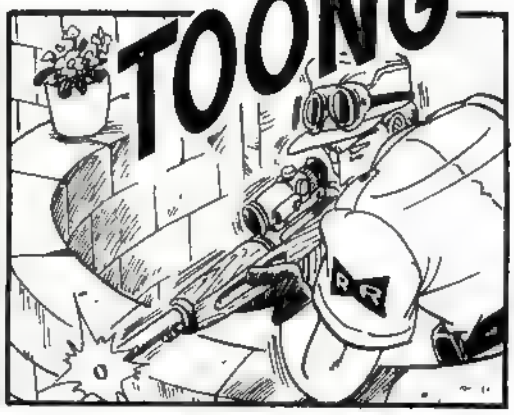
THE DRAGON BALLS ARE IN THERE!!


UGH !!!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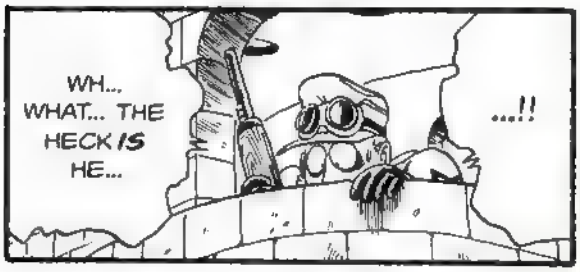
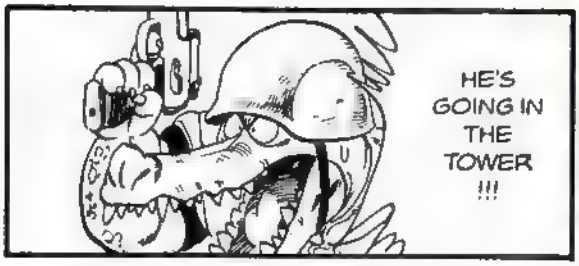
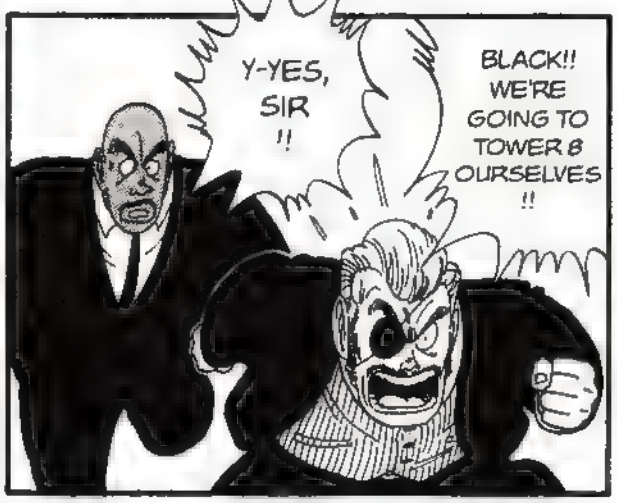
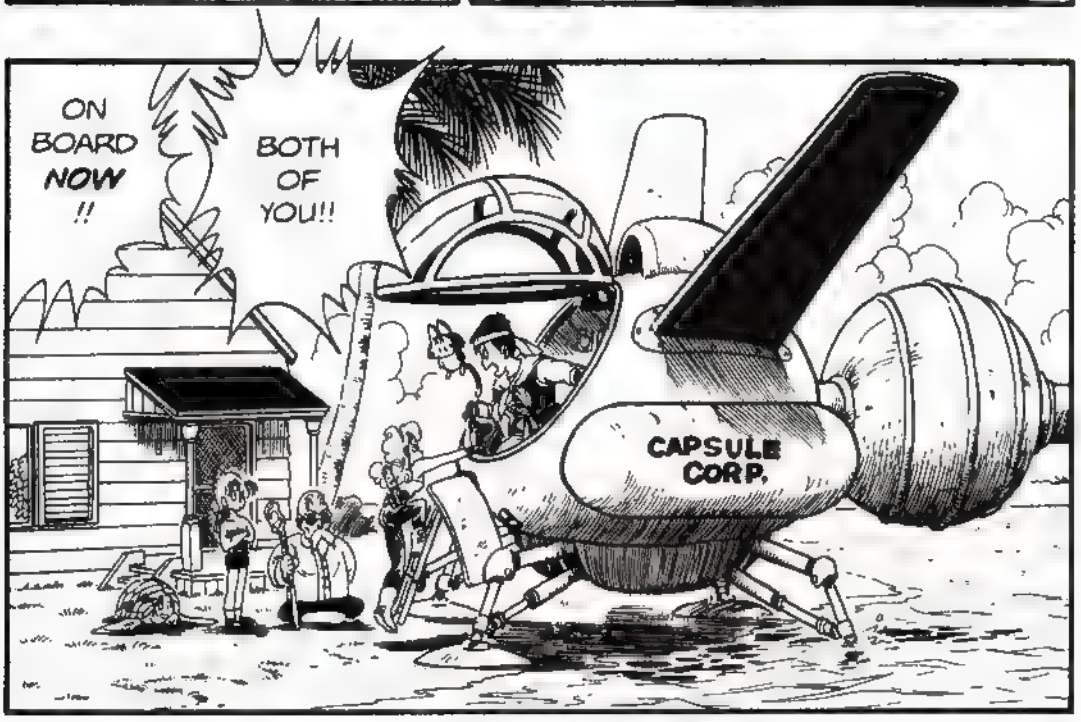

WH... WHAT... THE HECK IS HE...
...!!

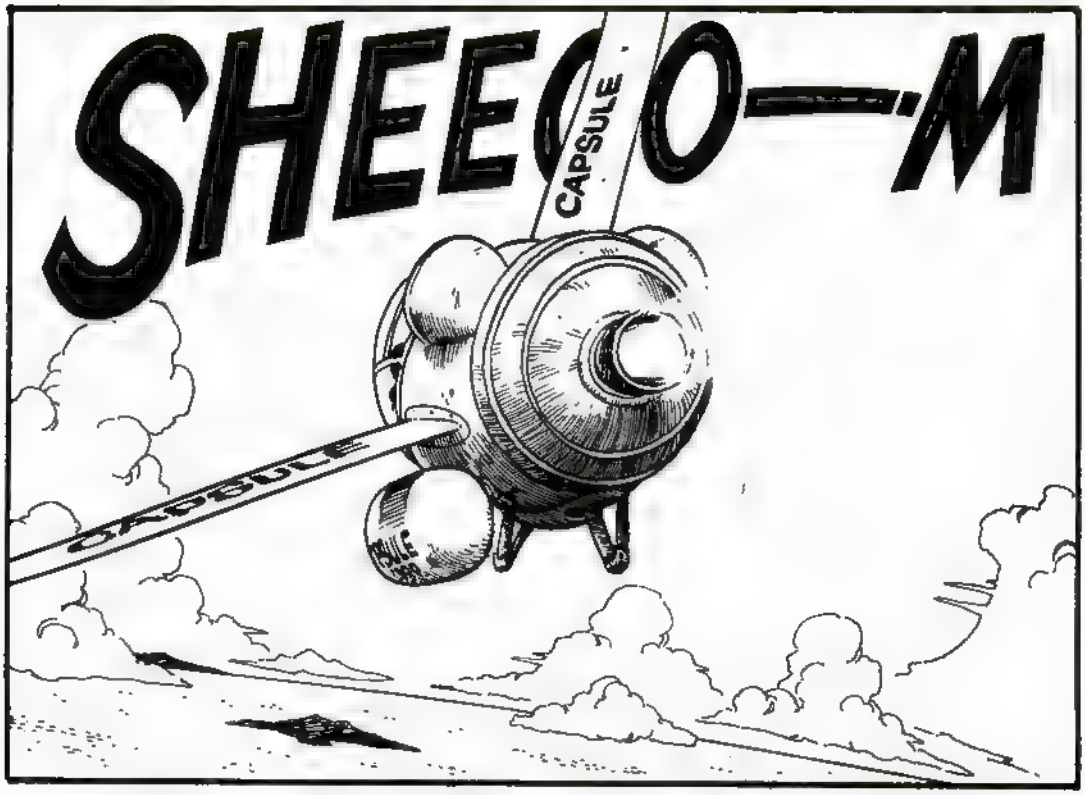

HE'S GOING IN THE TOWER !!!

OWW!! NOW I'M MAD!!

AND YOU HAVE THE GALL TO CALL YOURSELVES THE "WORLD'S MIGHTIEST EVIL ARMY"?!!
AND WE'VE LOST HALF OUR MEN!!
HE'S ALREADY INSIDE TOWER 8, SIR!!!

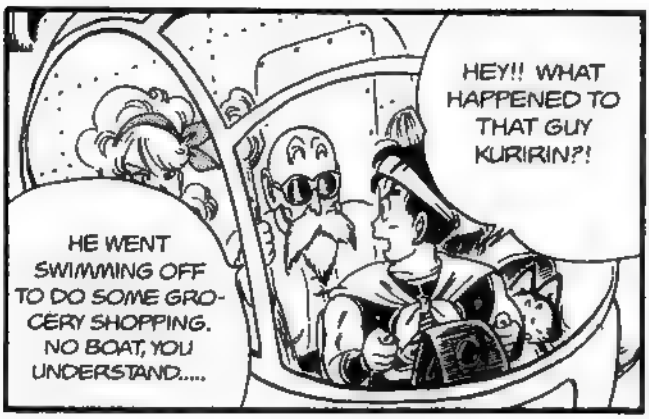

Y-YES, SIR !!
BLACK!! WE'RE GOING TO TOWER 8 OURSELVES !!


ON BOARD NOW !!
BOTH OF YOU!!
CAPSULE CORP.

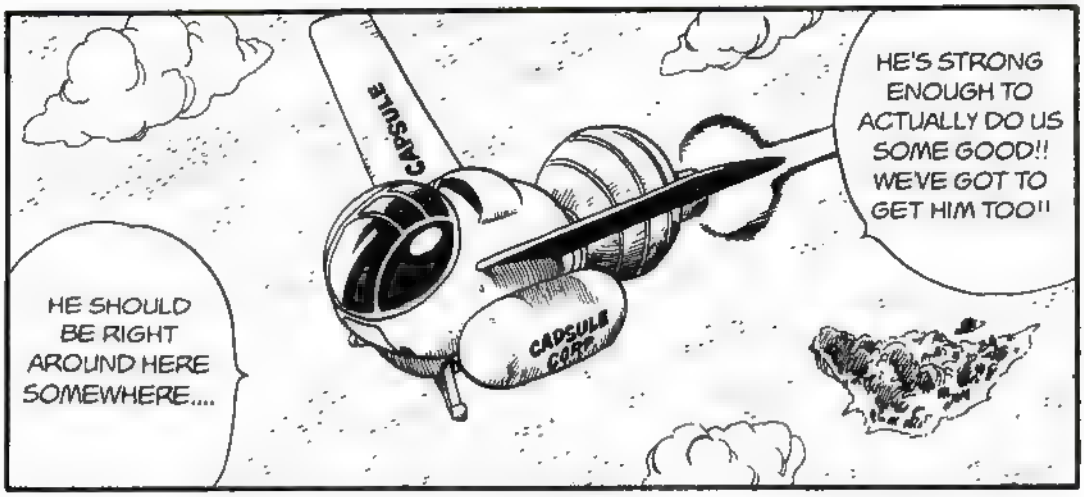

SHEEO—M
CAPSULE
CAPSULE

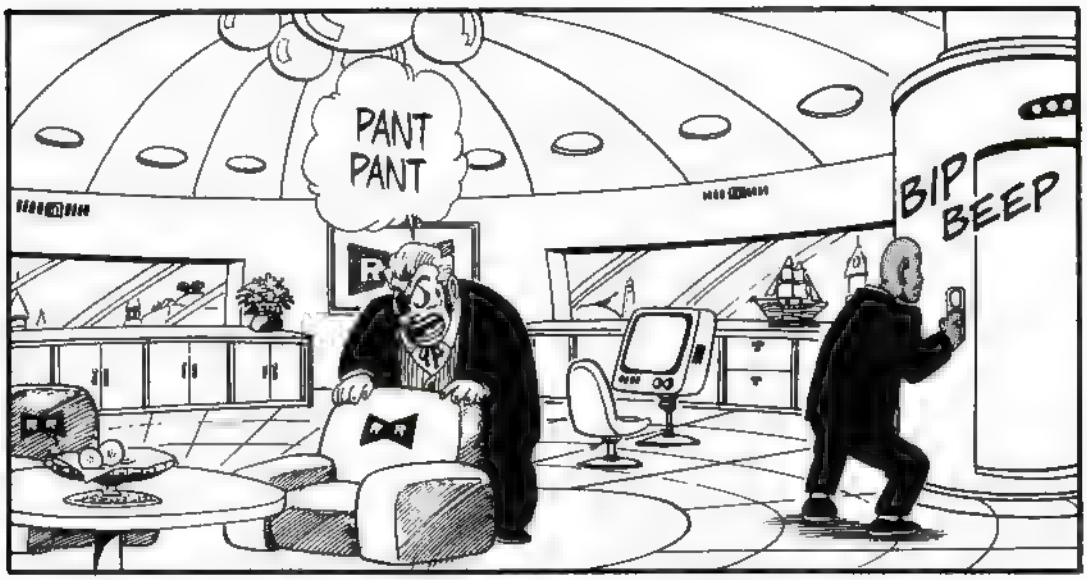
HASN'T GOKU SAVED EVERY ONE OF YOUR LIVES AT LEAST ONCE ?!!
WE'LL NEED EVERY BODY WE CAN GET!!

YEAH! I DON'T WANT TO DIE EITHER!
DON'T YOU THINK THIS IS A JOB FOR AN EXPER-IENCED FIGHTER ?!

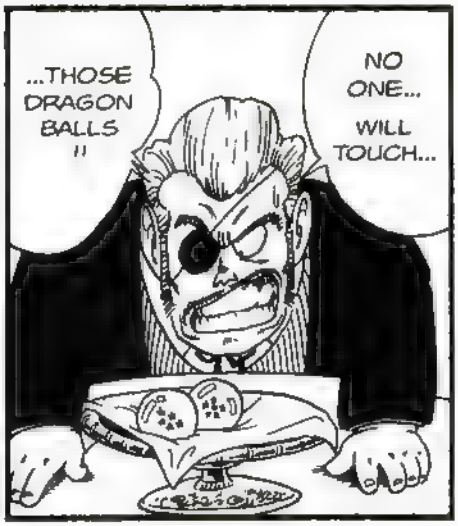

HEY!! WHAT HAPPENED TO THAT GUY KURIRIN?!
HE WENT SWIMMING OFF TO DO SOME GRO-CERY SHOPPING. NO BOAT, YOU UNDERSTAND....

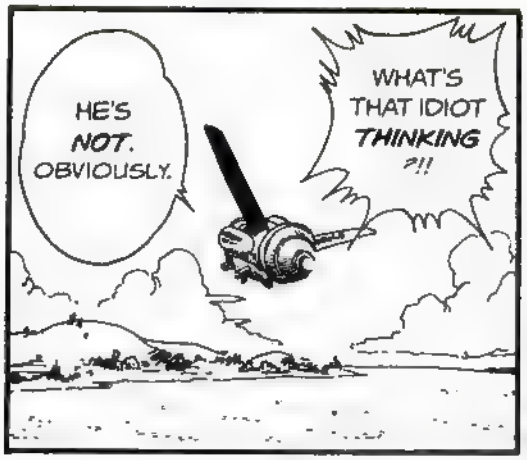
...
PERHAPS I MIGHT BE OF SOME ASSISTANCE AS WELL... ?


CAPSULE
CAPSULE CORP.
HE'S STRONG ENOUGH TO ACTUALLY DO US SOME GOOD!! WE'VE GOT TO GET HIM TOO!!
HE SHOULD BE RIGHT AROUND HERE SOMEWHERE....

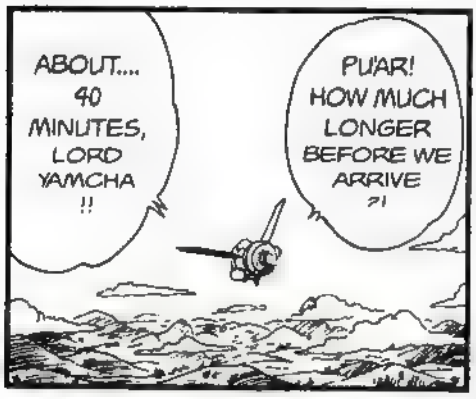

PANT PANT
BIP BEEP

AND WE ALREADY LOST MOST OF OUR TOP OPERATIVES EVEN BEFORE THIS... THANKS TO HIM....
THINGS DON'T LOOK VERY GOOD... THAT SON GOKU IS POWERFUL BEYOND BELIEF...


...THOSE DRAGON BALLS !!
NO ONE... WILL TOUCH...

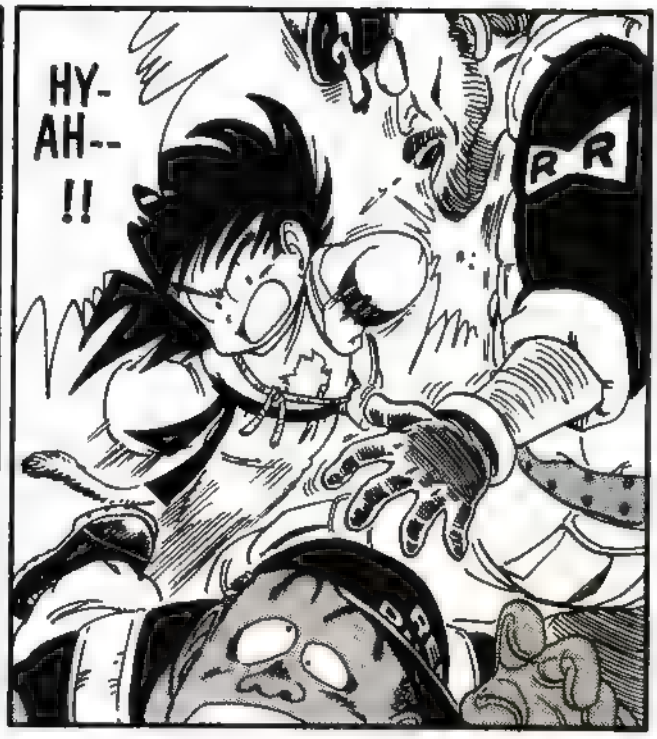

HE'S NOT. OBVIOUSLY.
WHAT'S THAT IDIOT THINKING ?!!

THE HEAD-QUARTERS OF THE RED RIBBON ARMY?!
WH-WHAT ?!


ABOUT.... 40 MINUTES, LORD YAMCHA !!
PU'AR! HOW MUCH LONGER BEFORE WE ARRIVE ?!

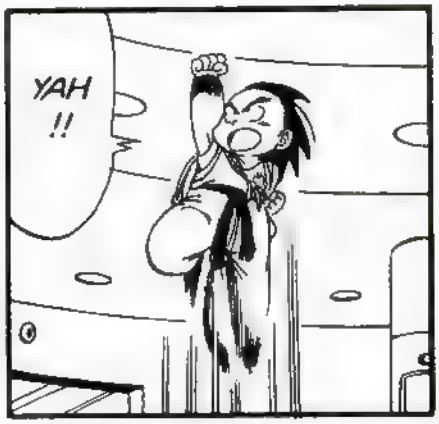
THIS IS ONE TIME WE REALLY NEED YOU IN YOUR MEAN WARRIOR FORM.... PLEASE DON'T SNEEZE AT A CRUCIAL MOMENT....
HEH HEH HEH.. MY TRIGGER FINGER'S ITCHING...

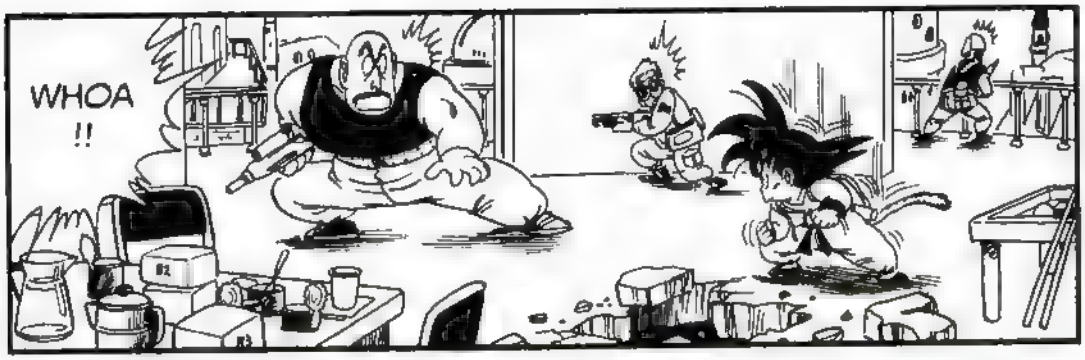
FURTHER UP, EH?


HY-AH--!!
R R

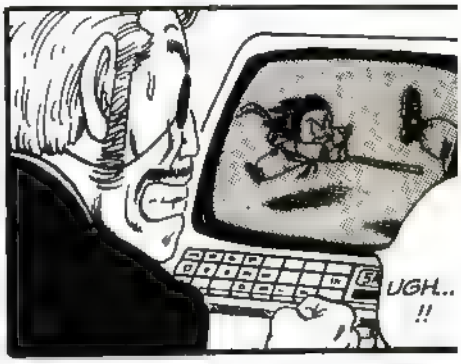
THERE AREN'T ANY STAIRS...
HUH ?

B-GOOM


YAH !!


WHOA !!

I CAN'T STAND IT!! I WILL *NOT* LET THE RED RIBBON ARMY BE DEFEATED BY A BRAT WHO DOESN'T EVEN KNOW WHAT AN ELEVATOR IS!!


UGH... !!

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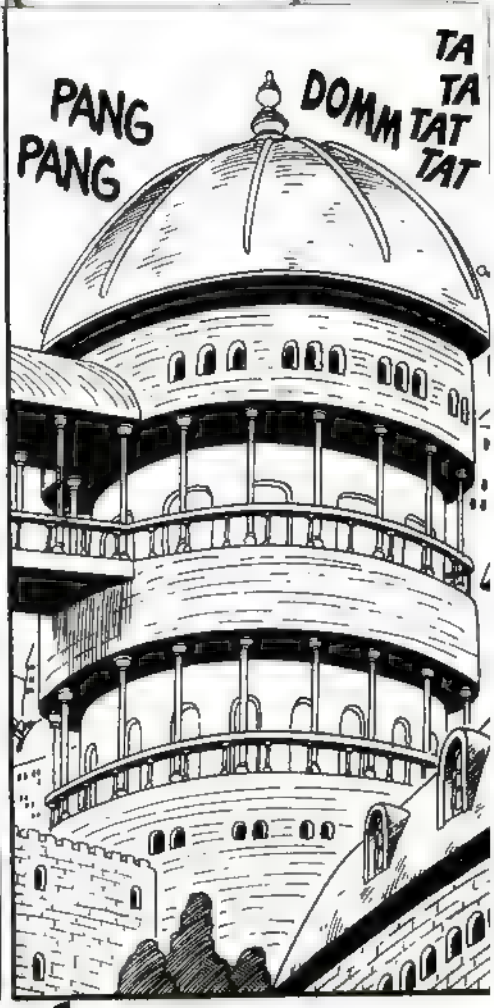
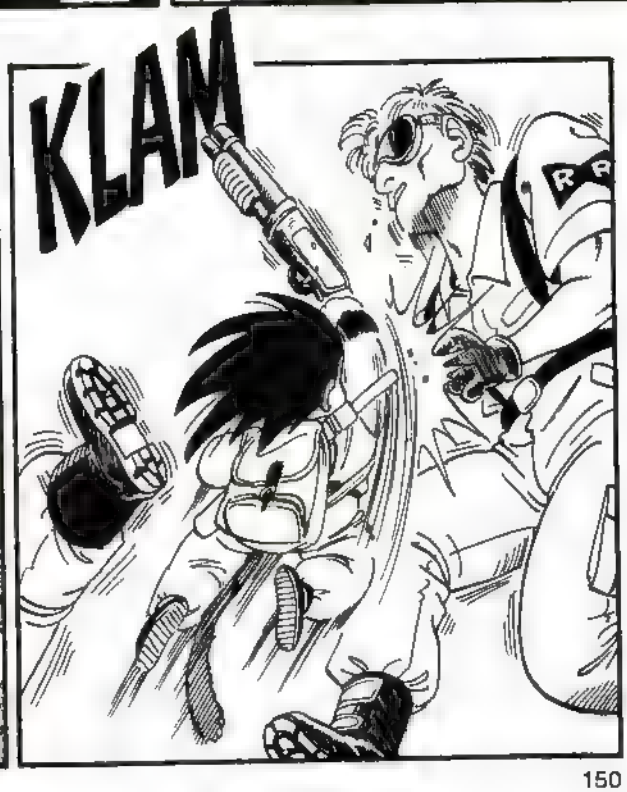
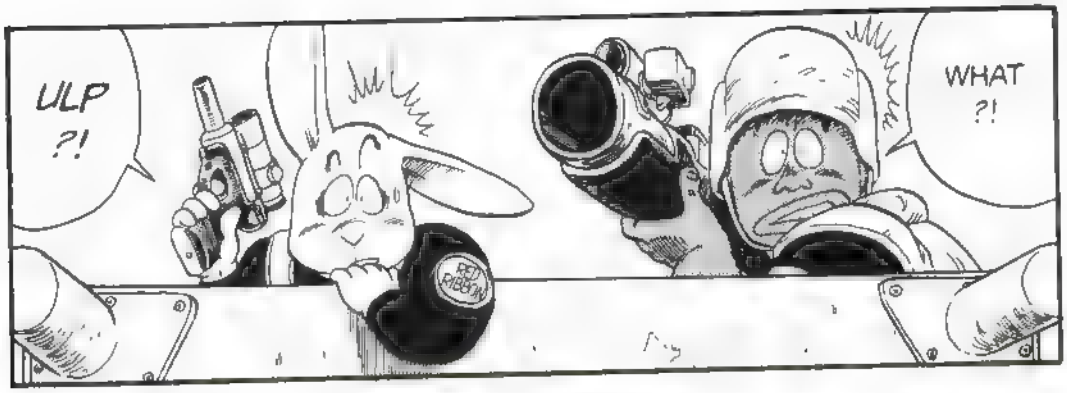
TAH !!
BWAK

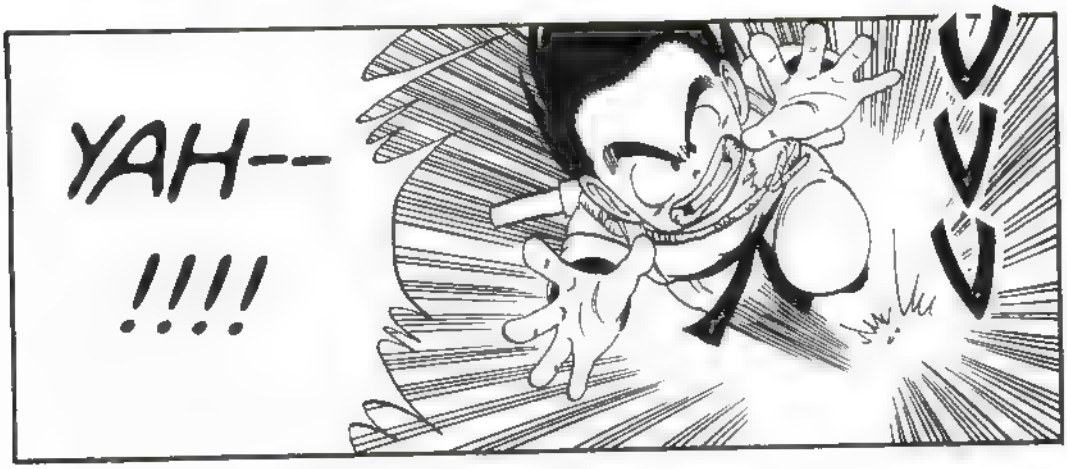

PANG PANG
DOMM
TA TA TAT TAT

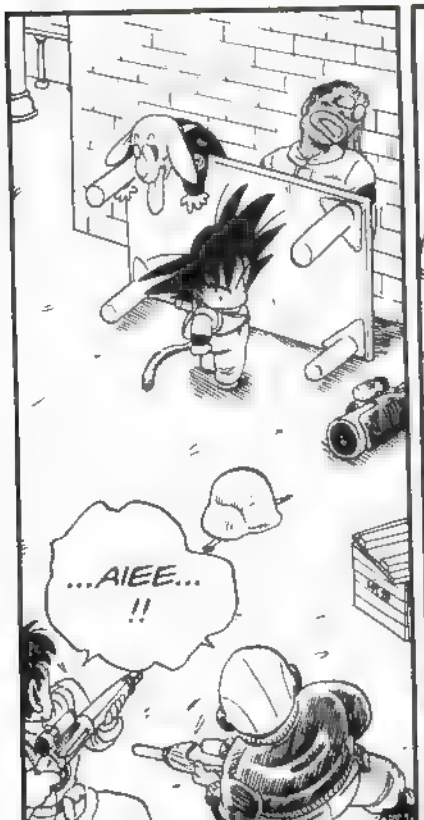
GOOM


KLAM

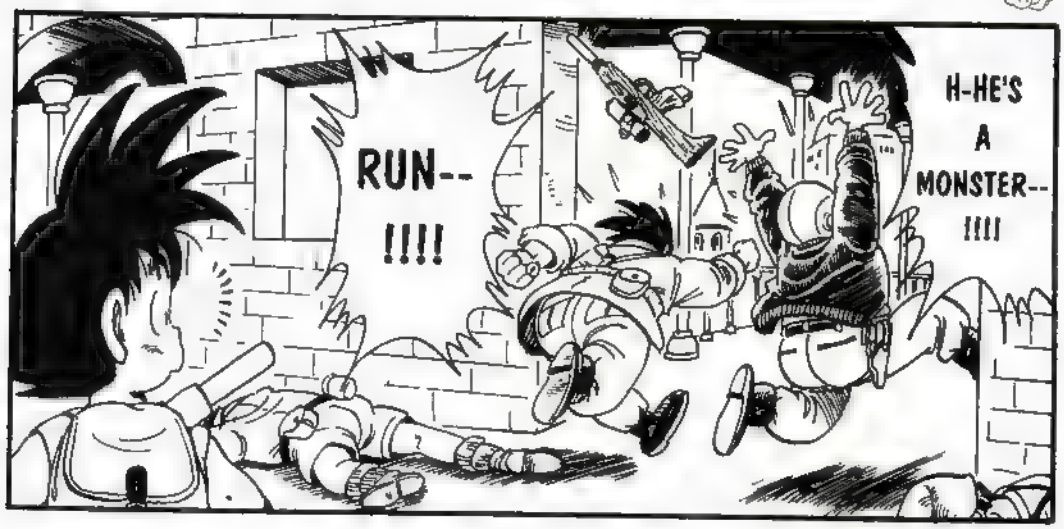
PAPAPAPA
DOMB
BOOOMB!!!
?!
YOU CREEPS--!
NYAH, NYAH, SERVES YOU RIGHT!!!
YES !!!


ULP ?!
WHAT ?!
RED RIBBON

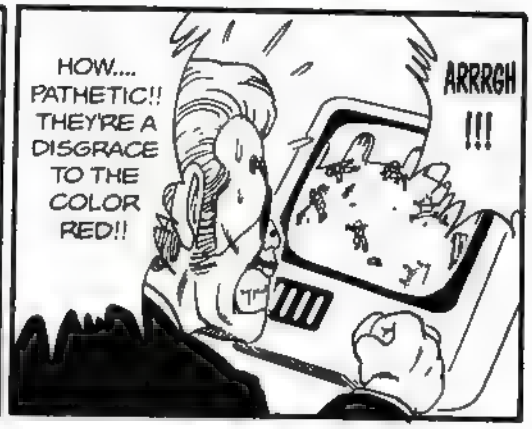

YAH-- !!!!

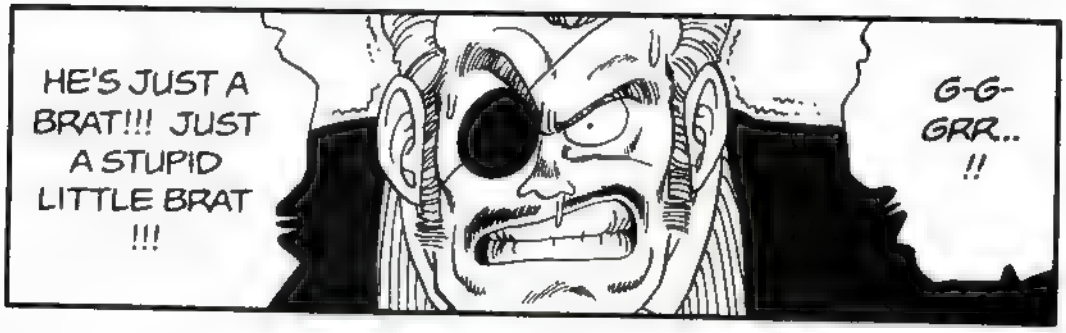

...AIEE... !!

AARGH !!!
BAMM

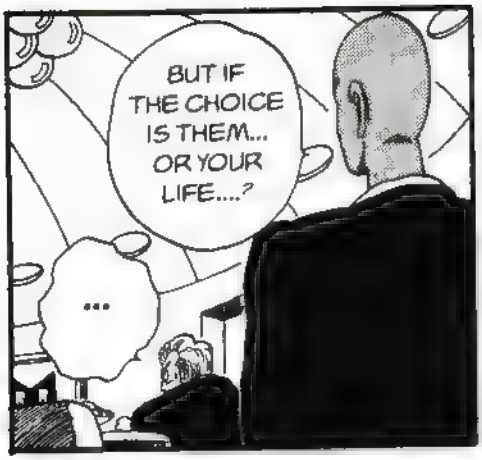

RUN-- !!!!
H-HE'S A MONSTER-- !!!!

THE REMAINING TROOPS SEEM TO HAVE BEGUN A RETREAT....

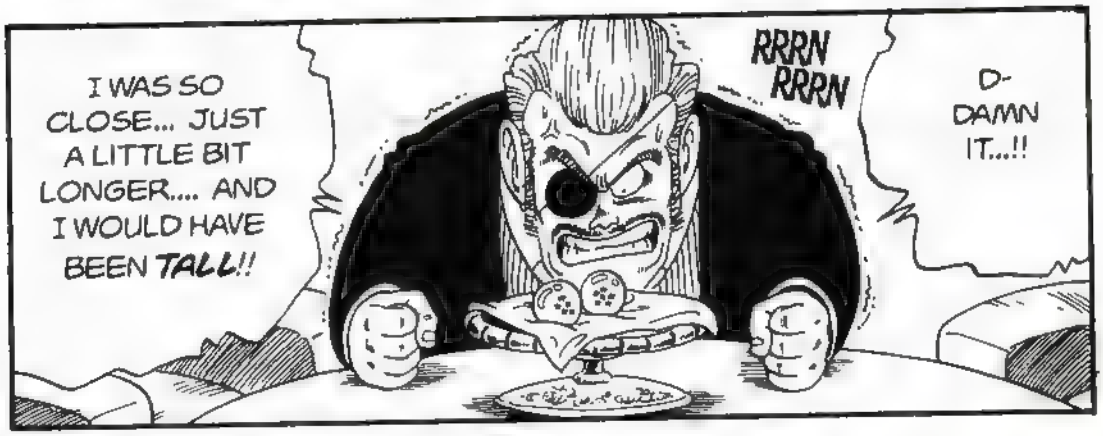

HOW.... PATHETIC!! THEY'RE A DISGRACE TO THE COLOR RED!!
ARRRGH !!!


HE'S JUST A BRAT!!! JUST A STUPID LITTLE BRAT !!!
G-G-GRR.. !!

I'M AFRAID OUR ONLY CHOICE WILL BE TO ABANDON THE BALLS AND RETREAT OURSELVES...
IT SEEMS WE WERE A BIT TOO LATE IN REALIZING JUST HOW POWERFUL A BRAT....


BUT IF THE CHOICE IS THEM... OR YOUR LIFE....?
...

NOW I REALLY DON'T WANT TO GIVE UP THOSE BALLS !!
DOMP
GIVE ME A BREAK !!


I WAS SO CLOSE... JUST A LITTLE BIT LONGER.... AND I WOULD HAVE BEEN TALL!!
RRRN RRRN
D-DAMN IT...!!

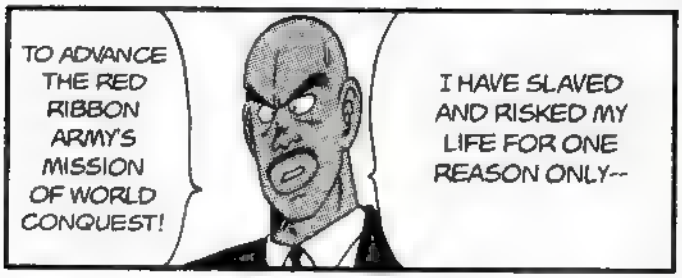
YOU DON'T MEAN...THAT WE WERE GATHERING THE DRAGON BALLS JUST TO MAKE YOU BIGGER...?
DID YOU SAY... "TALL," SIR?

YOU HAVE A PROBLEM WITH THAT?!!
YES !!

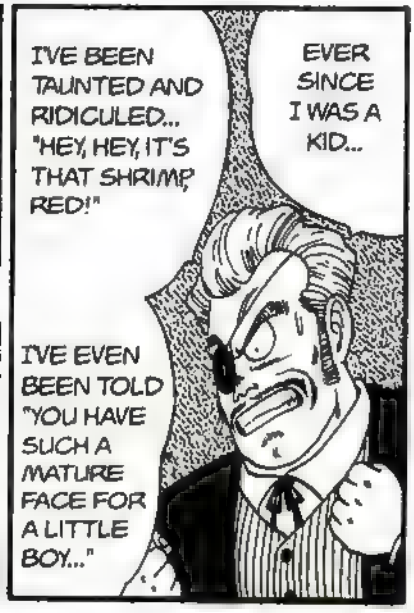
BUT A CONQUEROR HAS TO BE CHARISMATIC... DOMINATING... IMPRESSIVE...
I MEAN, WHAT CHICK LOOKS TWICE AT A MIDGET?

WE'LL GET TO THAT, WE'LL GET TO THAT !!
I THOUGHT WE WERE AFTER WORLD DOMINATION !!!
WHAT ?!

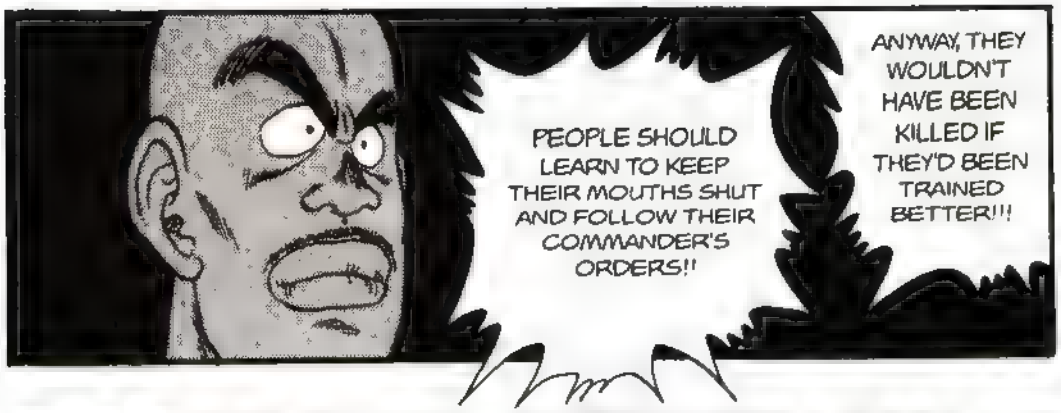
YOU SEE?!! YOU TALL PEOPLE HAVE NO IDEA HOW WE FEEL!!!
...THAT WE SUFFERED ?!
...IT WAS FOR SOMETHING AS PETTY AS THAT...

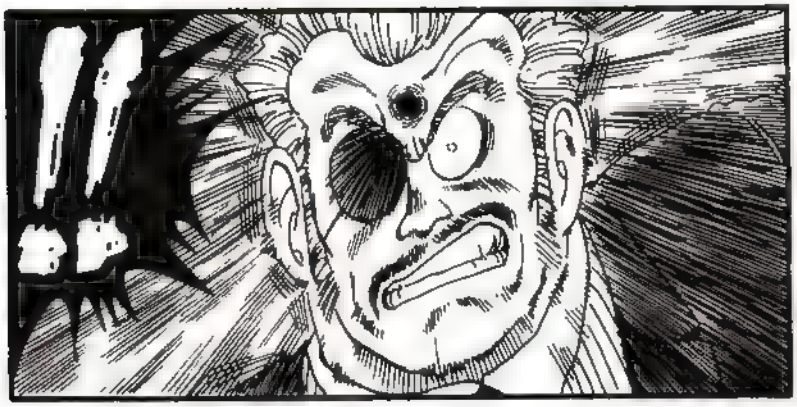

TO ADVANCE THE RED RIBBON ARMY'S MISSION OF WORLD CONQUEST!
I HAVE SLAVED AND RISKED MY LIFE FOR ONE REASON ONLY--

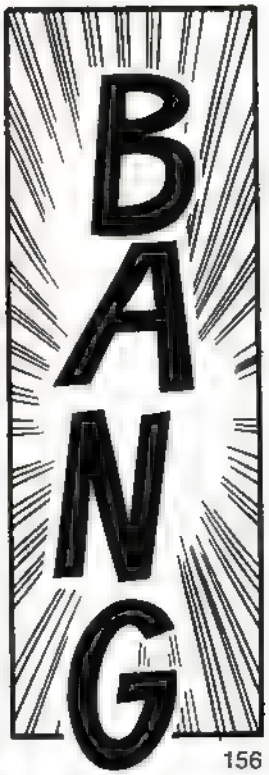
I'M THE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF AND I GET TO SAY WHAT WE DO!!!
SHUT UP !!!

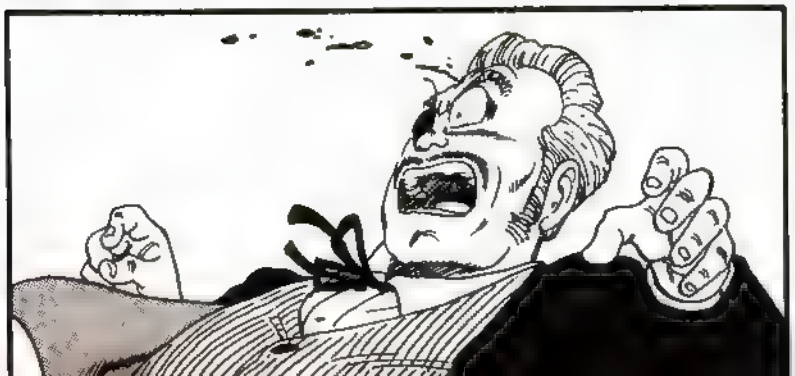

I'VE BEEN TAUNTED AND RIDICULED... "HEY, HEY, IT'S THAT SHRIMP, RED!"
EVER SINCE I WAS A KID...
I'VE EVEN BEEN TOLD "YOU HAVE SUCH A MATURE FACE FOR A LITTLE BOY..."

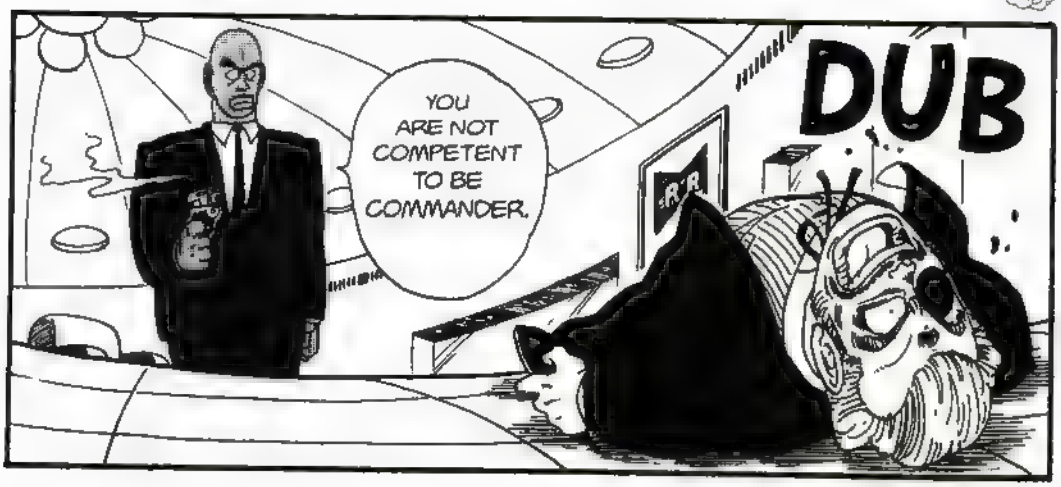
HOW DARE YOU SPEAK TO YOUR COMMANDER LIKE THAT ?!!!
DO YOU REALIZE HOW MANY SOLDERS SACRIFICED THEIR LIVES...SO YOU WOULDN'T HAVE TO BE SHORT ?!!
R R


PEOPLE SHOULD LEARN TO KEEP THEIR MOUTHS SHUT AND FOLLOW THEIR COMMANDER'S ORDERS!!
ANYWAY, THEY WOULDN'T HAVE BEEN KILLED IF THEY'D BEEN TRAINED BETTER!!!




BANG

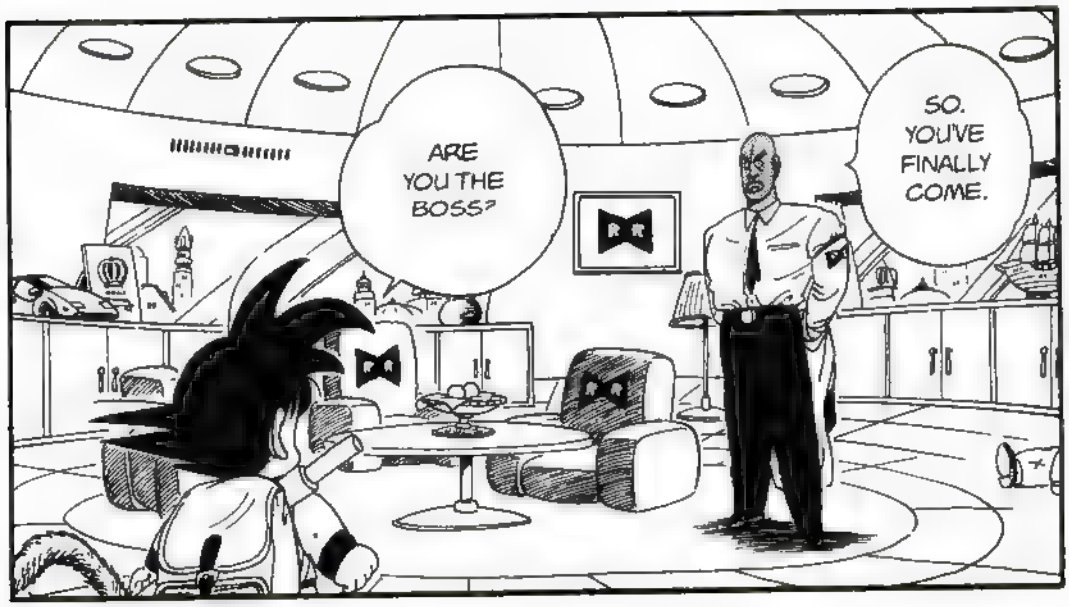



YOU ARE NOT COMPETENT TO BE COMMANDER.
DUB
R.R.

KRASSH

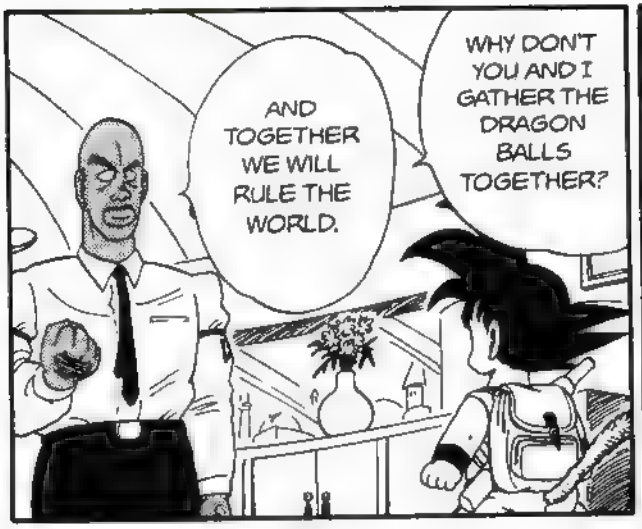
THE RED RIBBON ARMY WILL REBUILD UNDER NEW COMMAND.
AND COMMANDER *BLACK* SHALL FULFILL ITS DESTINY.

THEY GOTTA BE RIGHT AROUND HERE.....

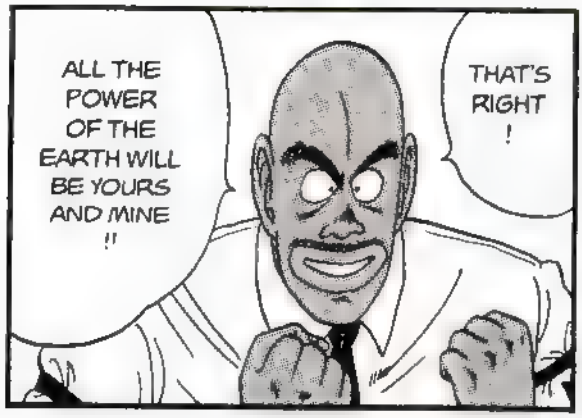

ARE YOU THE BOSS?
SO. YOU'VE FINALLY COME.

I'M GONNA TAKE THOSE DRAGON BALLS OVER THERE.

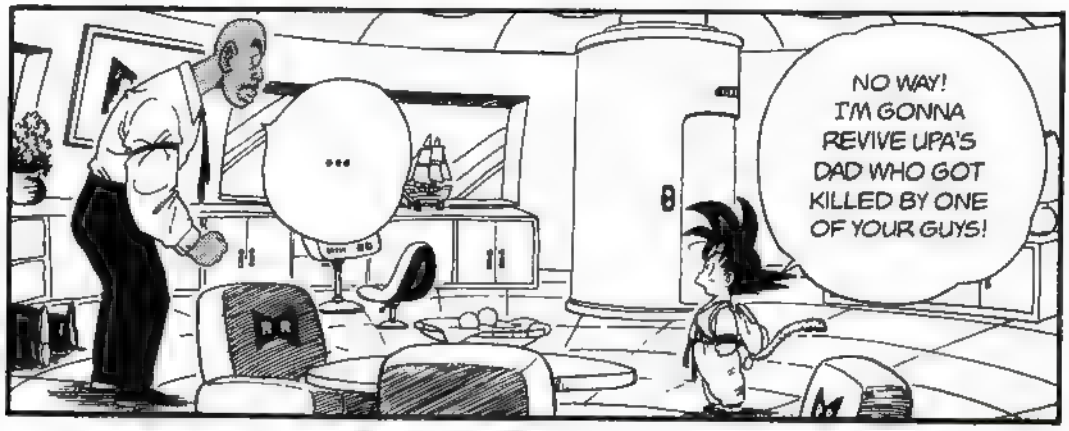
SINCE JUST A MINUTE AGO.
I AM.


AND TOGETHER WE WILL RULE THE WORLD.
WHY DON'T YOU AND I GATHER THE DRAGON BALLS TOGETHER?

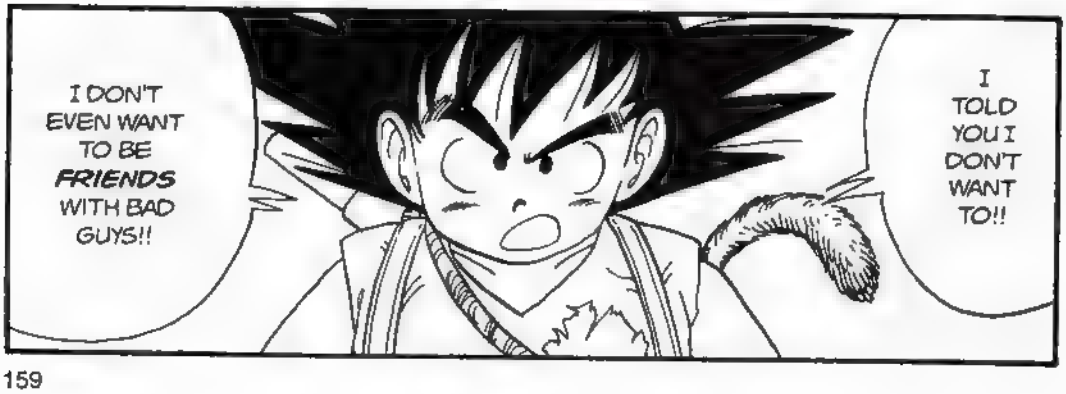
FIRST, CONSIDER THIS, SON GOKU.

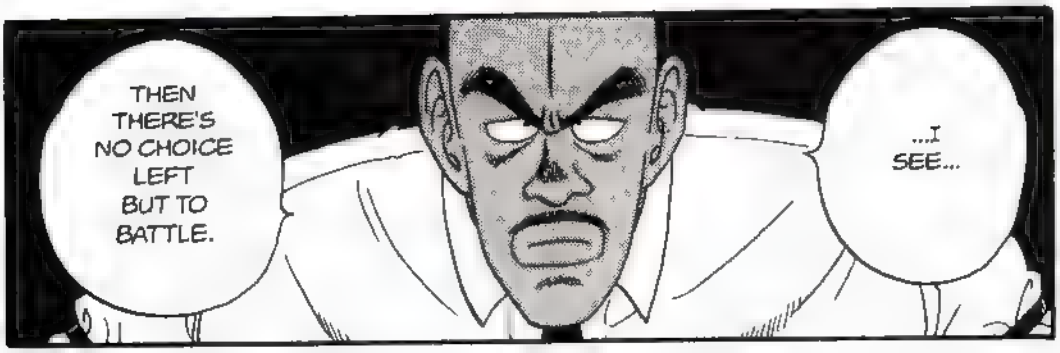

ALL THE POWER OF THE EARTH WILL BE YOURS AND MINE !!
THAT'S RIGHT !

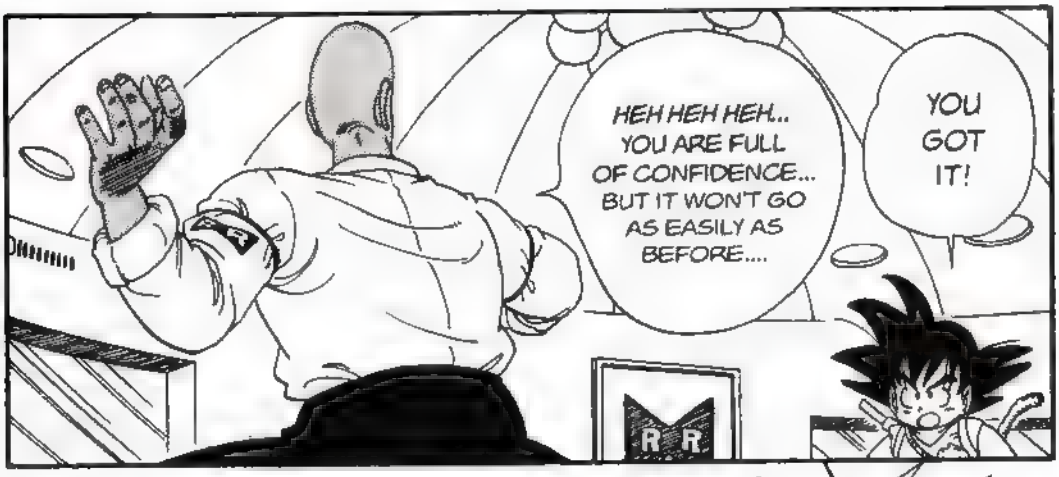
RULE THE WORLD ?


...
NO WAY! I'M GONNA REVIVE UPA'S DAD WHO GOT KILLED BY ONE OF YOUR GUYS!

WHEN WE'VE GATHERED ALL THE DRAGON BALLS, WE CAN BRING BACK TO LIFE THIS FELLOW'S FATHER. THEN YOU WILL JOIN ME IN CONQUERING THE WORLD WITHOUT THE BALLS! TOGETHER WE WILL BE INVINCIBLE!
ALL RIGHT, THEN... WHAT ABOUT THIS?

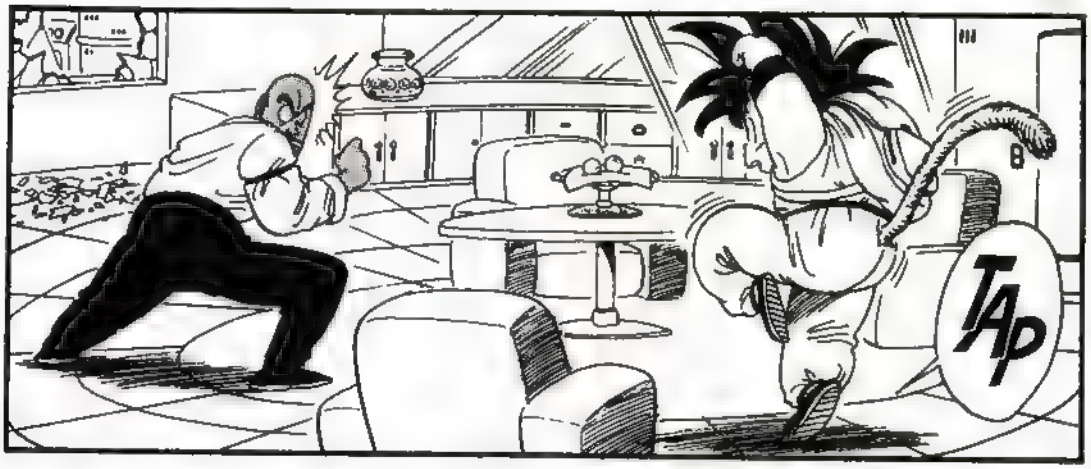

I DON'T EVEN WANT TO BE FRIENDS WITH BAD GUYS!!
I TOLD YOU I DON'T WANT TO!!


THEN THERE'S NO CHOICE LEFT BUT TO BATTLE.
...I SEE...

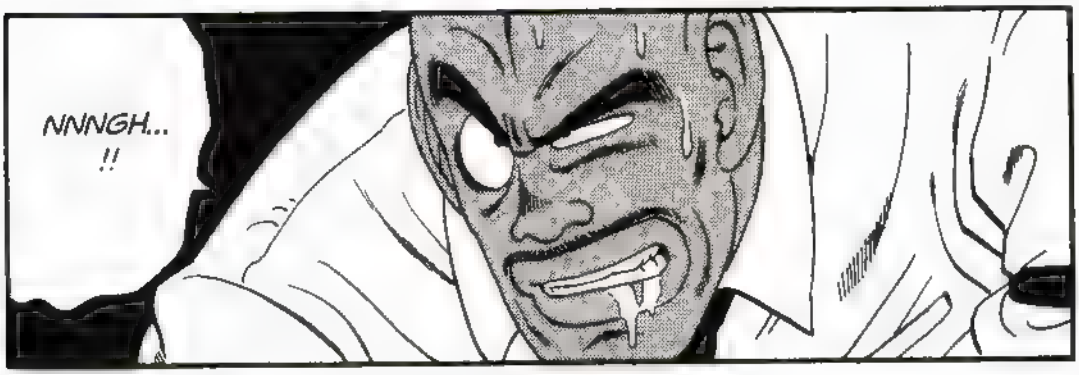

HEH HEH HEH... YOU ARE FULL OF CONFIDENCE... BUT IT WON'T GO AS EASILY AS BEFORE....
YOU GOT IT!

HAH !!!
YO !

TSWAH !!!
VOOON


TAP

TEII !!!!
FSSHH-
DOOB
...GUH... !!!


NNNGH...
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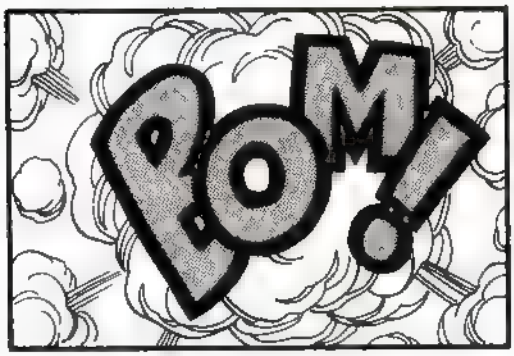
GO TO THAT POLICE PLACE !!
JUST GIVE UP!!

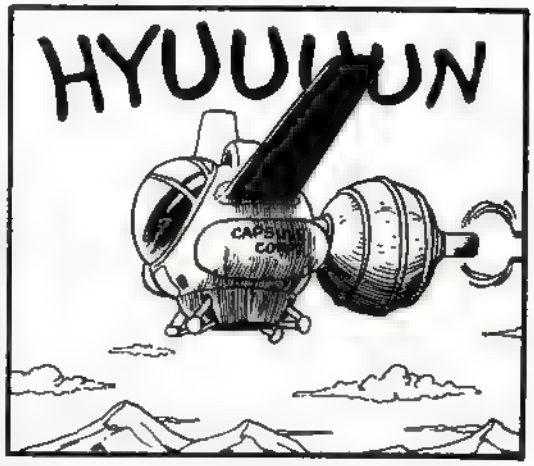
HE'S STRONGER... THAN I THOUGHT... !!


POM!

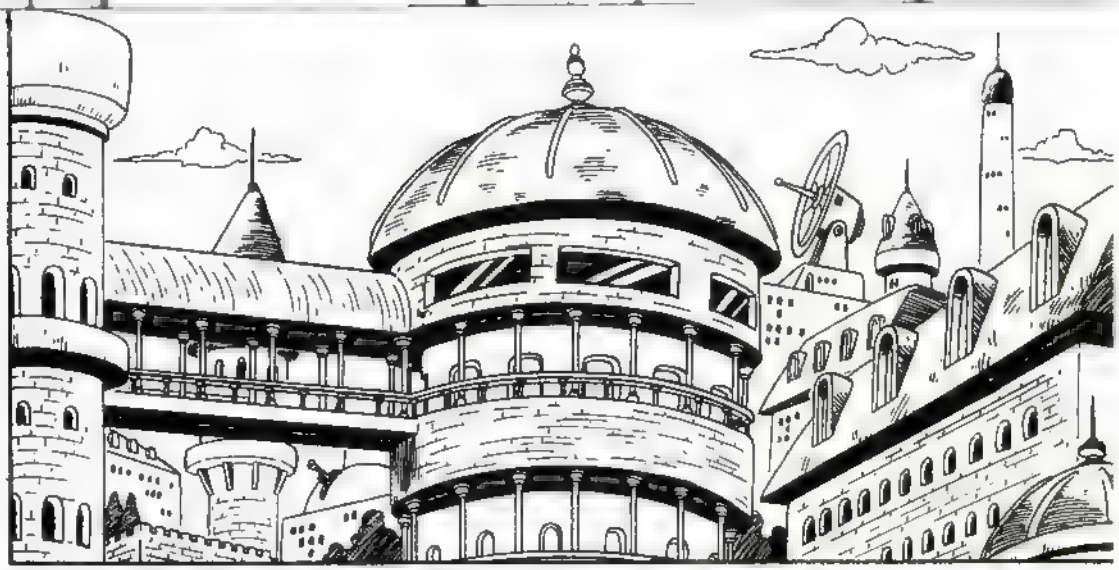
TWA

FSS
HUH ?!

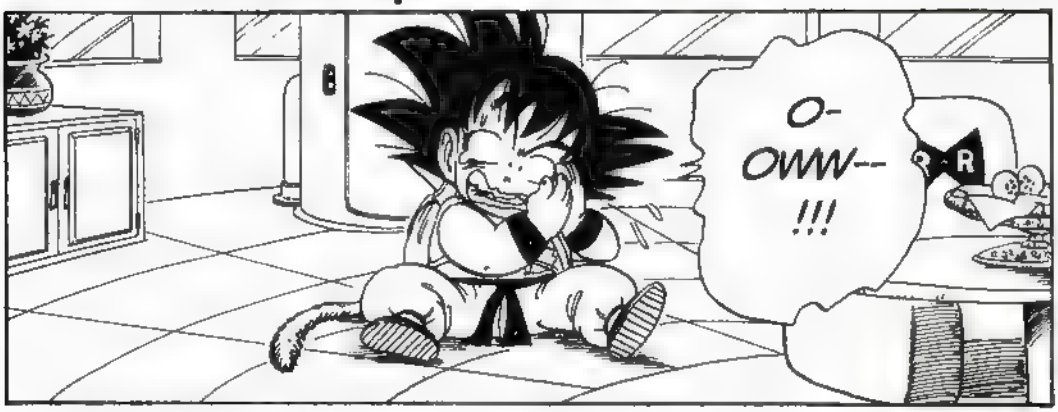
KCH

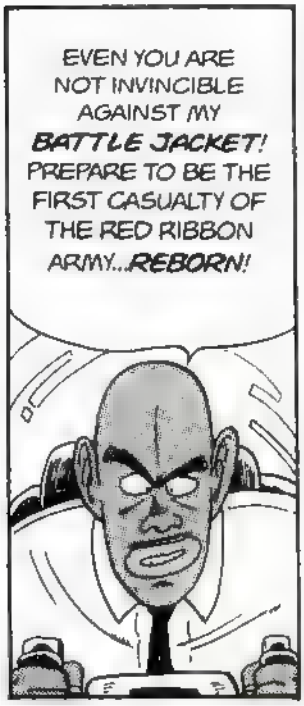


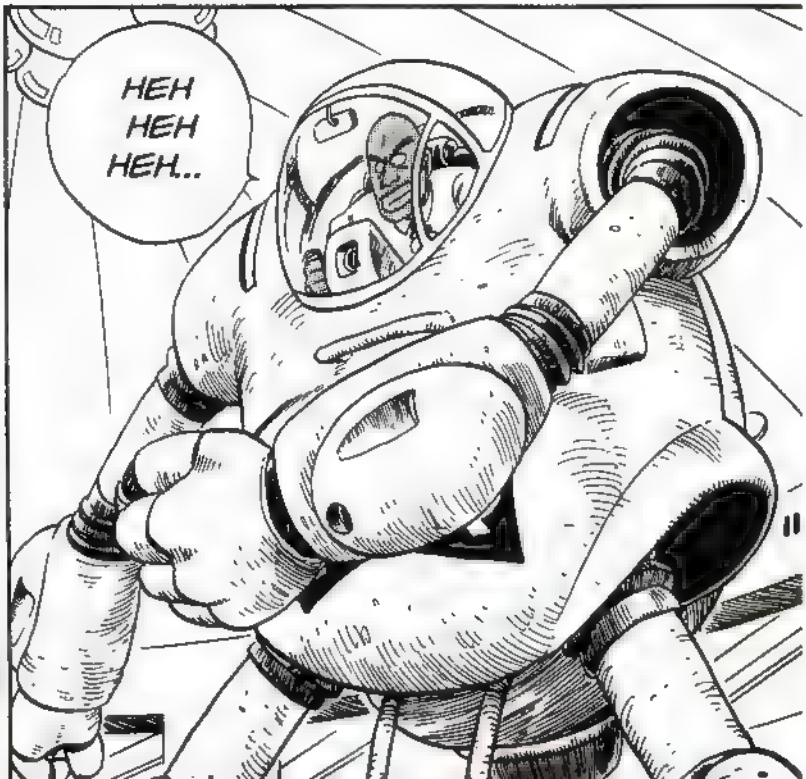
NEXT: Victory or Defeat??

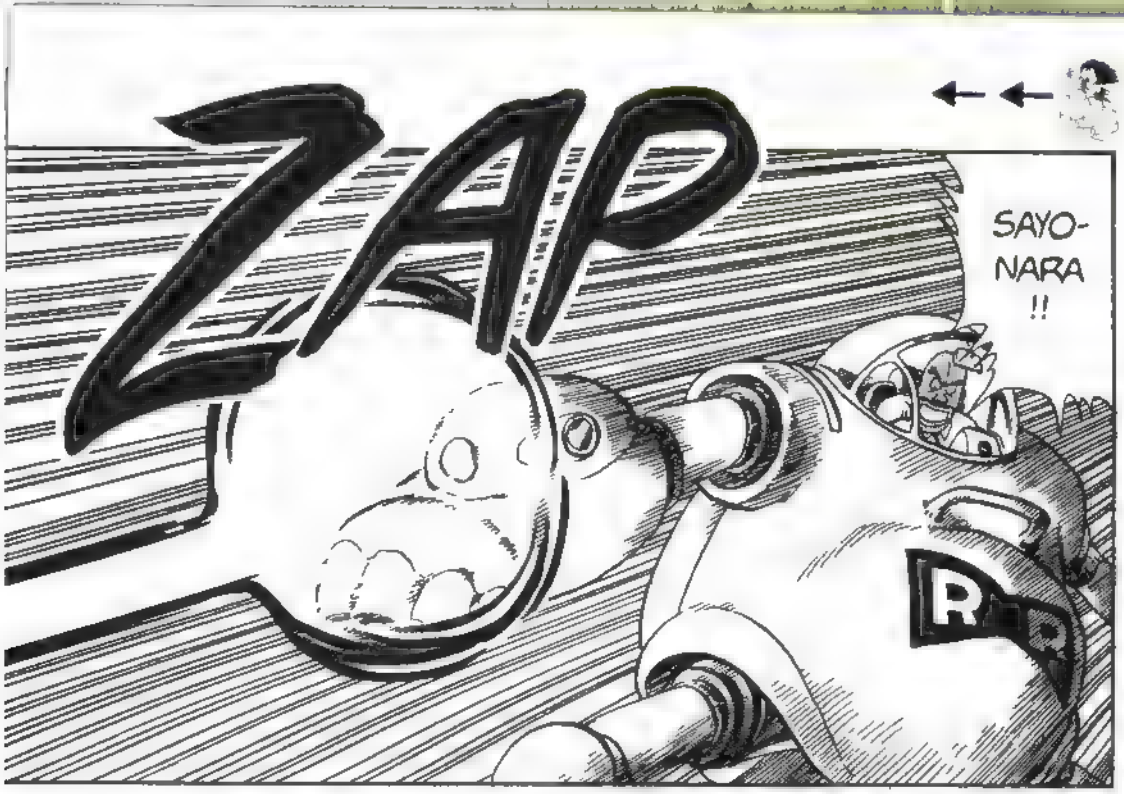


Tale 96 • The Triumph!

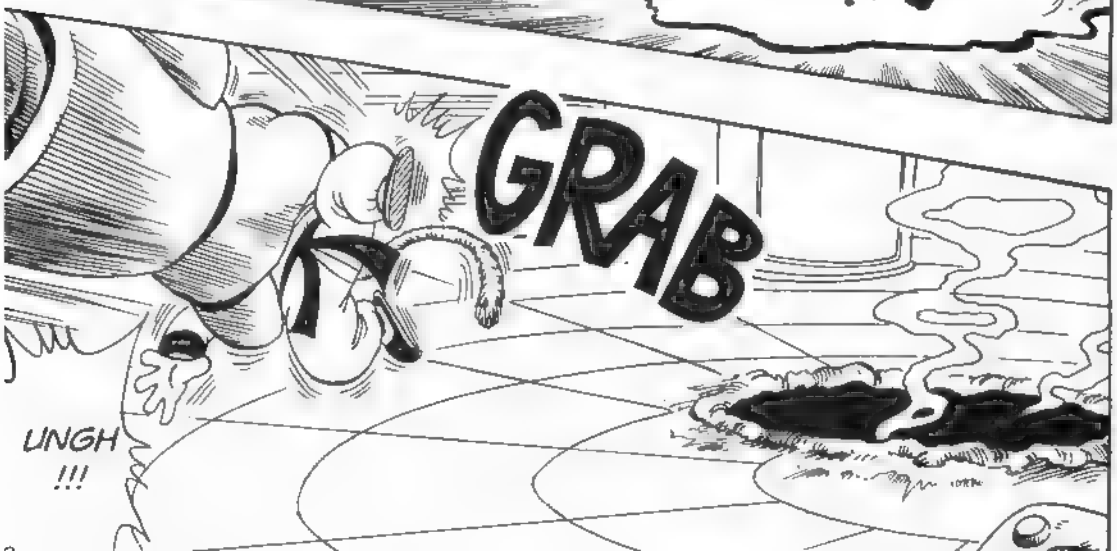




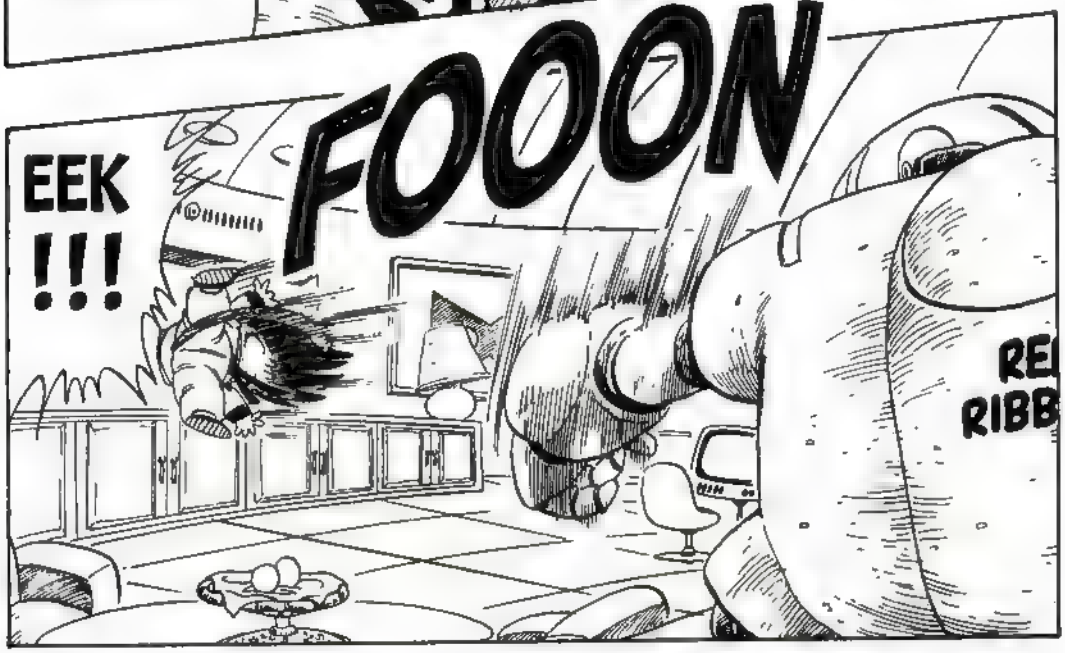



ZAP
SAYO-NARA !!

BOOF
WAAH !!!


GRAB
UNGH !!!

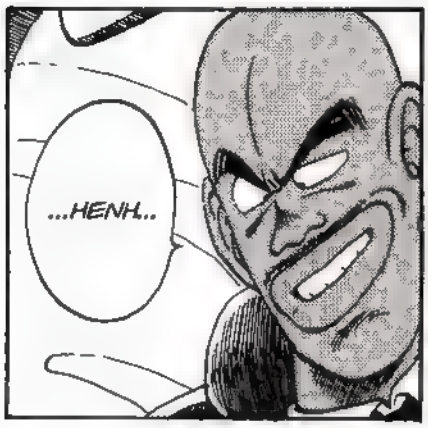
YOUR TRUE COWARDICE IS EXPOSED!
GO--!!!
YEOWW!! LET-- ME---

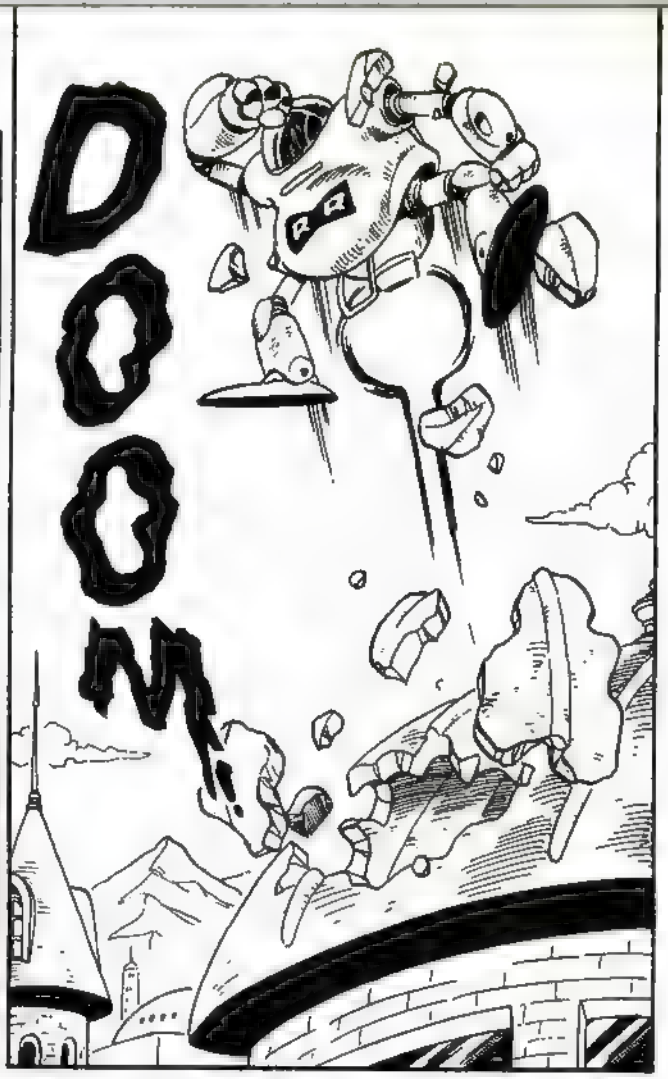

EEK !!!
FOOON
RE RIBB

DON'T WORRY, LITTLE BOY-- IT'LL ALL BE OVER IN A SECOND!!!

DWOK
WAAGH !!

NNNH...


...HENH...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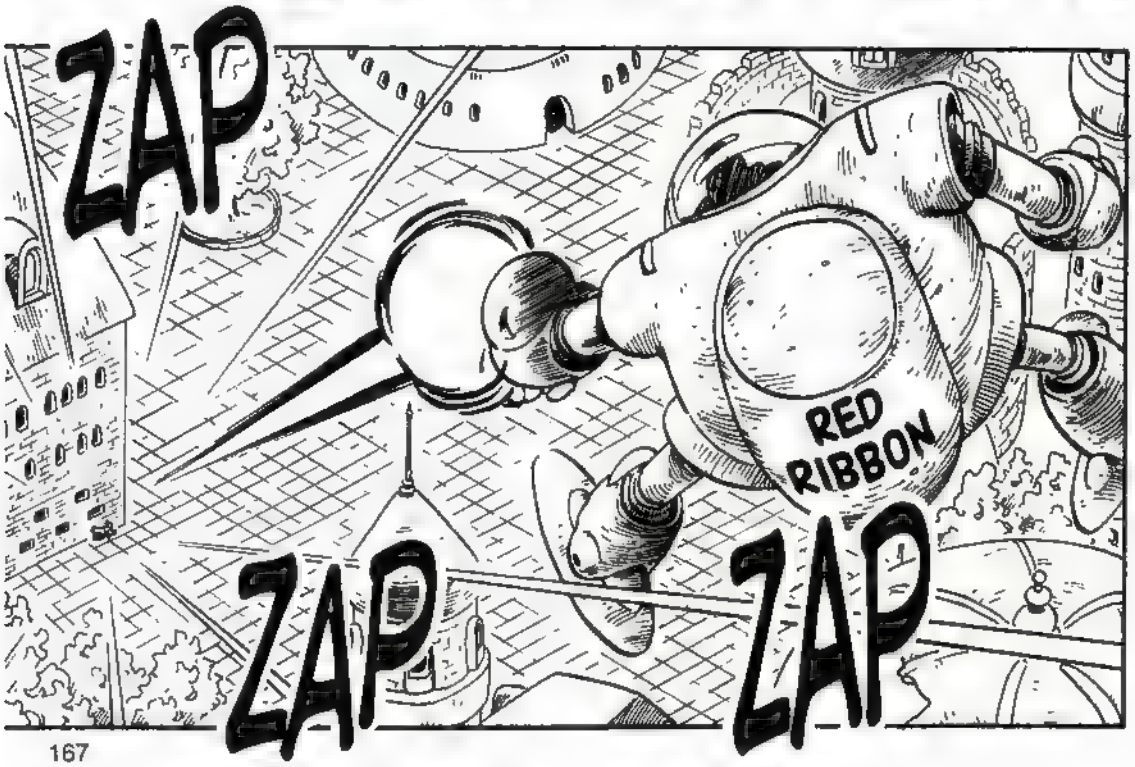
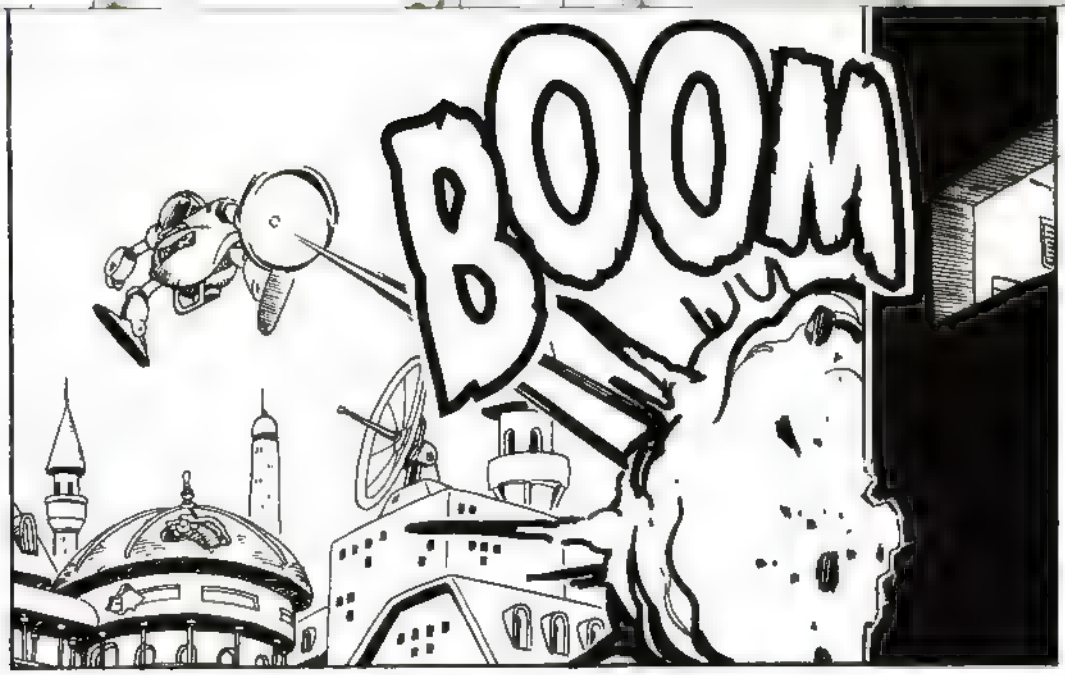
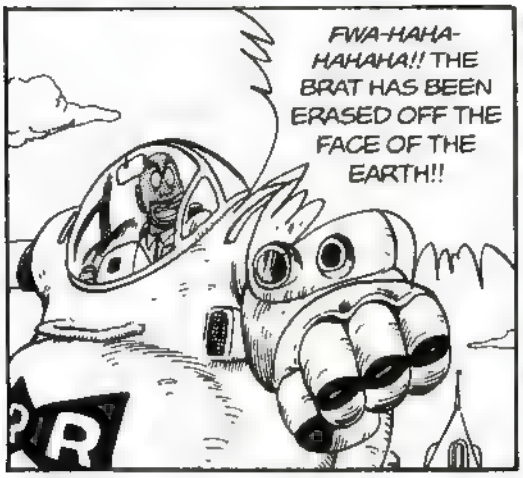
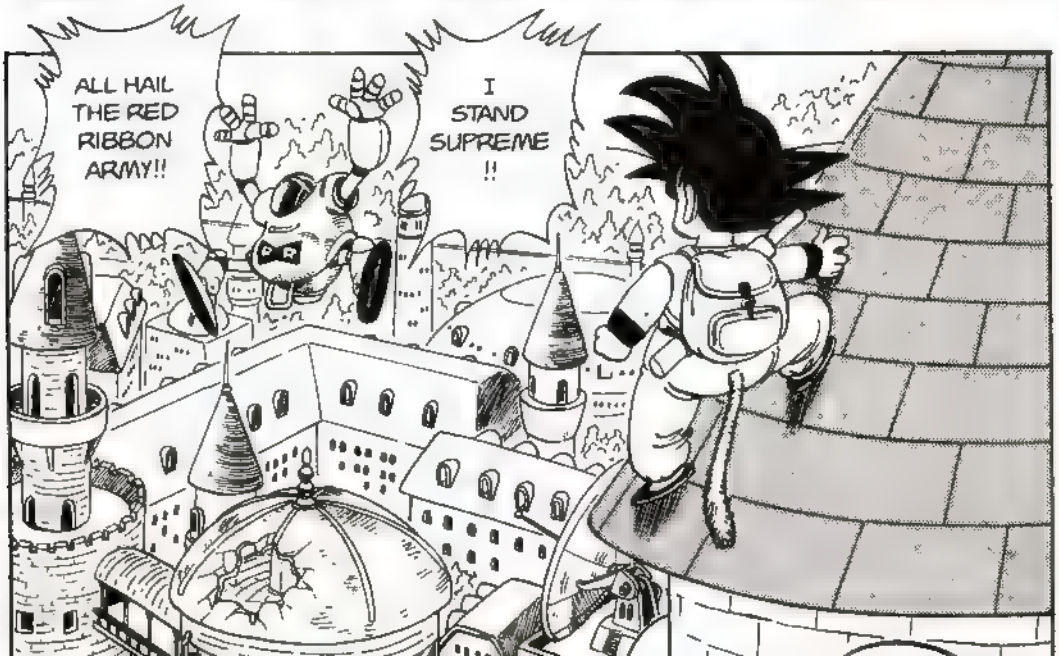
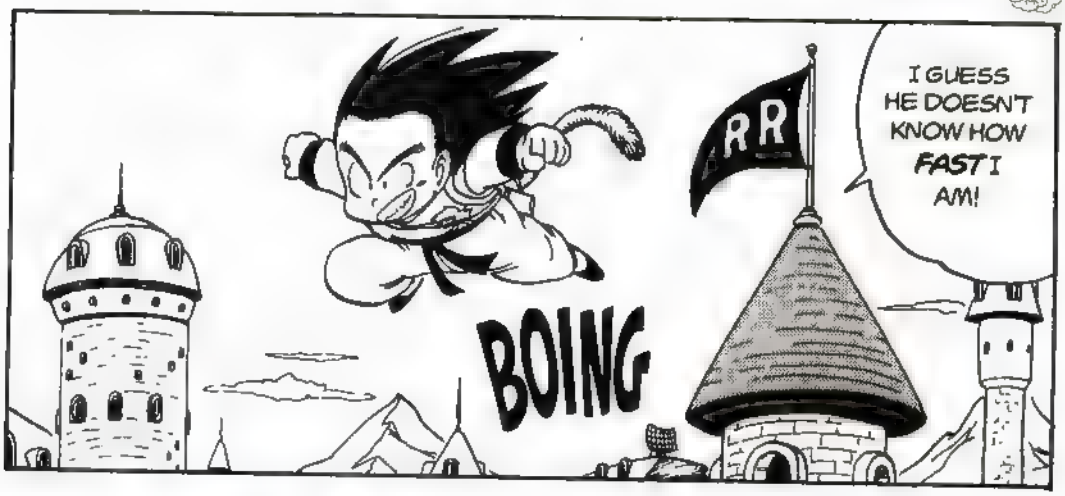
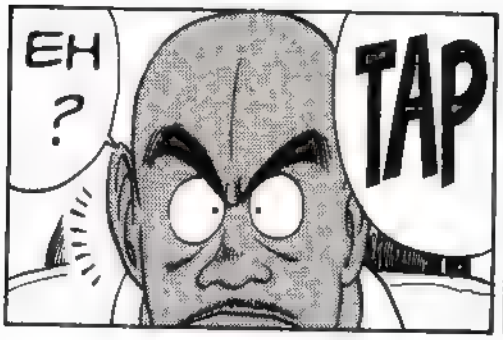

ZAP
RED RIBBON
ZAP
ZAP


BOOM


FWA-HAHA-HAHAHA!! THE BRAT HAS BEEN ERASED OFF THE FACE OF THE EARTH!!

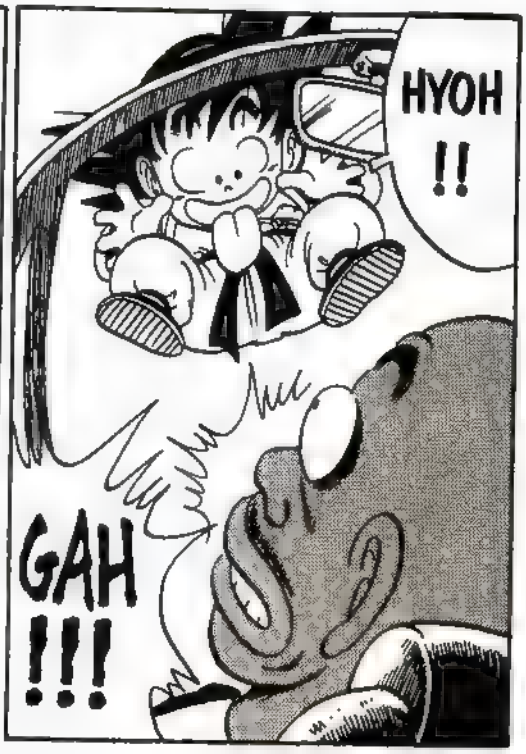

ALL HAIL THE RED RIBBON ARMY!!
I STAND SUPREME !!


I GUESS HE DOESN'T KNOW HOW FAST I AM!
BOING
RR


EH ?
TAP

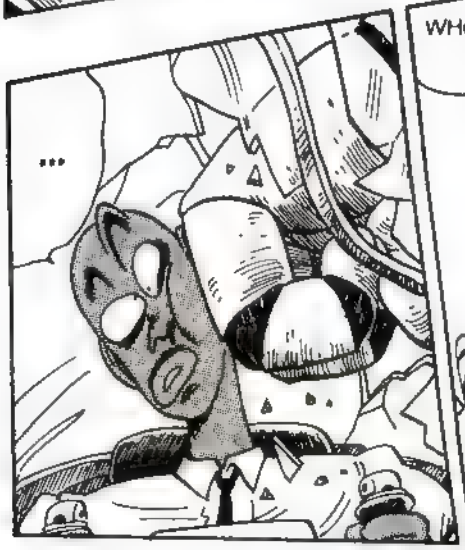
IT'S JUST A SHAME THAT THOSE DRAGON BALLS HE WAS CARRYING WERE DESTROYED ALONG WITH HIM....
TSK.

PRETTY COOL, HUH ?
YOU'RE-- YOU'RE-- !!!


HYOH !!
GAH !!!

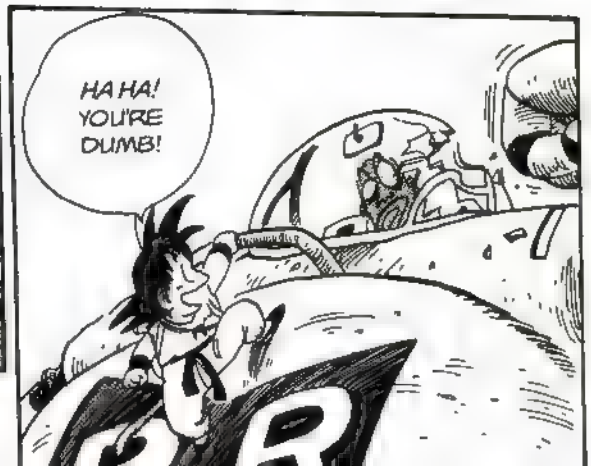
YARGH !!!!

KRIII


...

WHOOPS!
WHAK

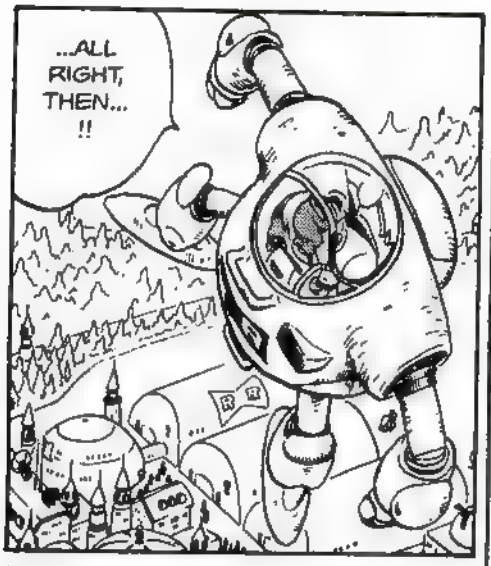
...WILL...
DIE...
!!!
...YOU...


HA HA!
YOU'RE
DUMB!

DON'T MOVE SO FAST!
HYOONNNN

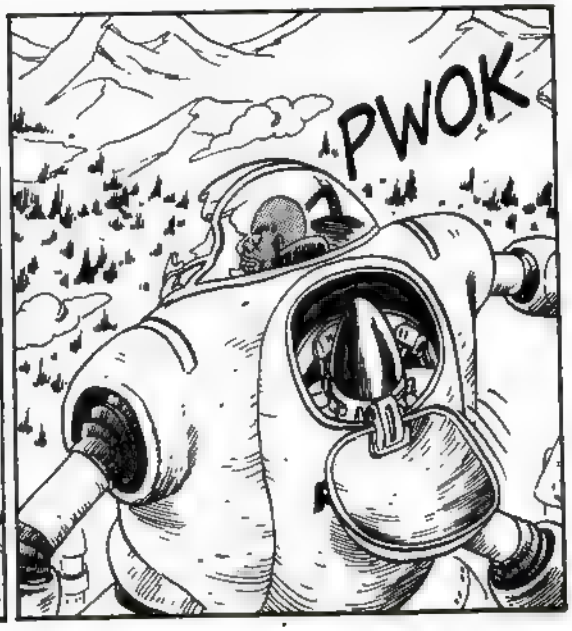
TAP

BOMM
WHOA !!

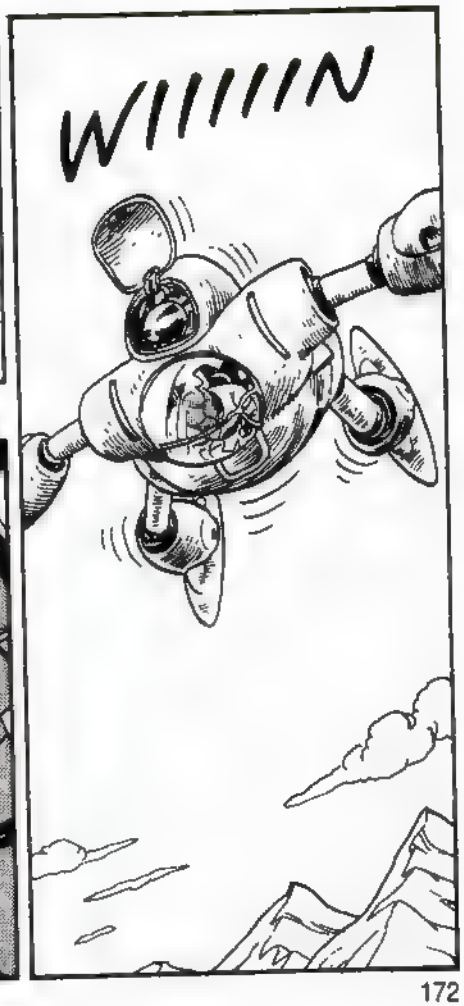

...ALL RIGHT, THEN... !!

GLANCE

AND BLOW YOU TO BITS-- ALONG WITH THIS BASE!!!
I HAVE NO CHOICE BUT TO RELEASE THIS MISSILE


PWOK

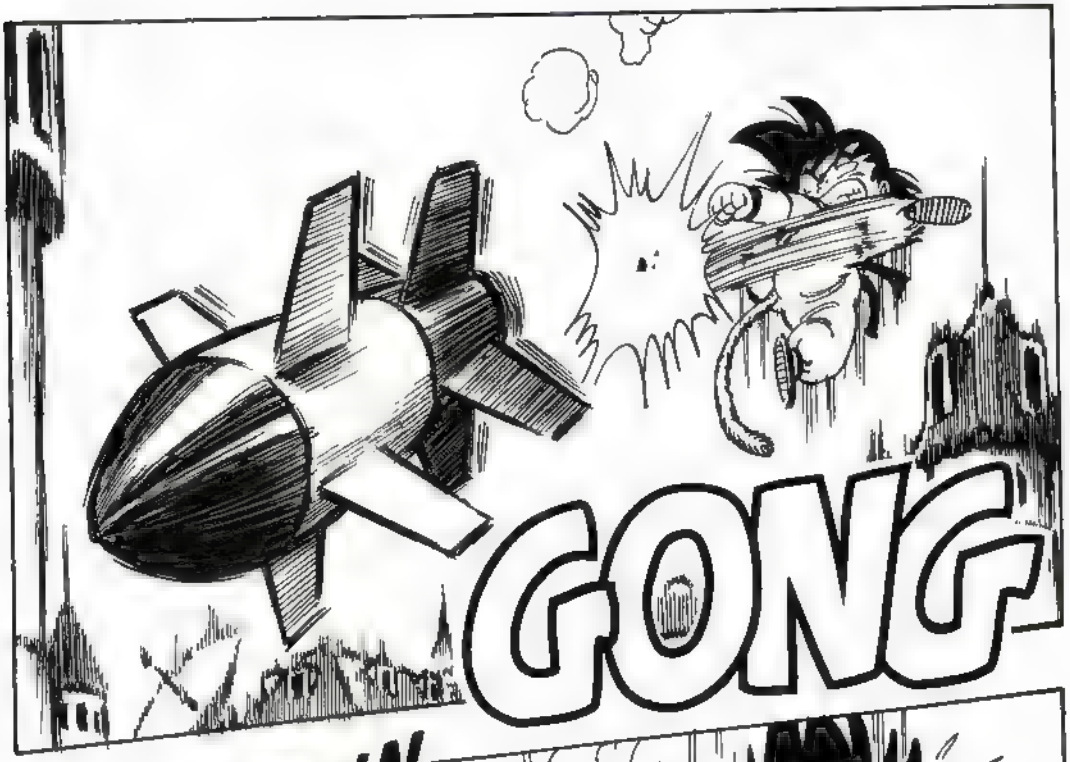
WHAT'S HE TURNING UPSIDE DOWN LIKE THAT FOR?
HEY...


WIIIIIN

THIS TIME IS REALLY THE END !!!!
KCH

PII
PIIII

DOOOSH
HEY! THAT'S ONE OF THOSE BOMB THINGS !!!!
WHAT.... IN THE.... ?!
SSHHHH
HYAH !!!!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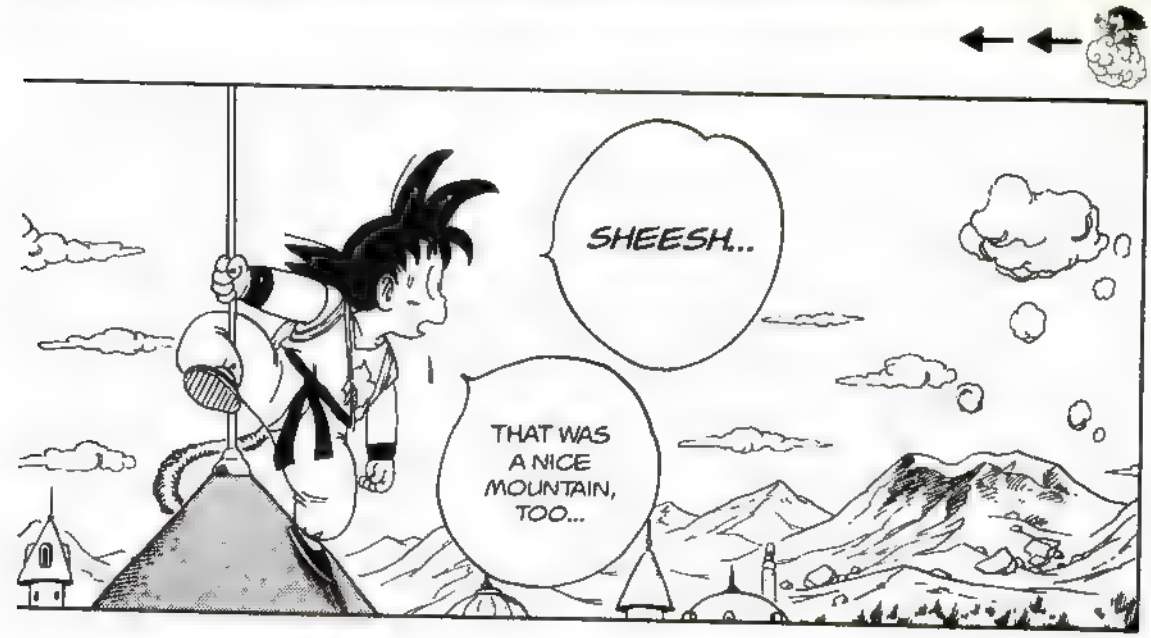
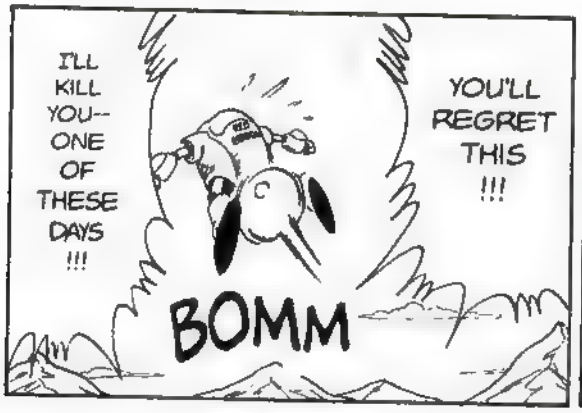
HYOOONNNN
OWW-
!!!

Z-GOOOM

WH-
WHAT
?!!!


SHEESH...
THAT WAS A NICE MOUNTAIN, TOO...

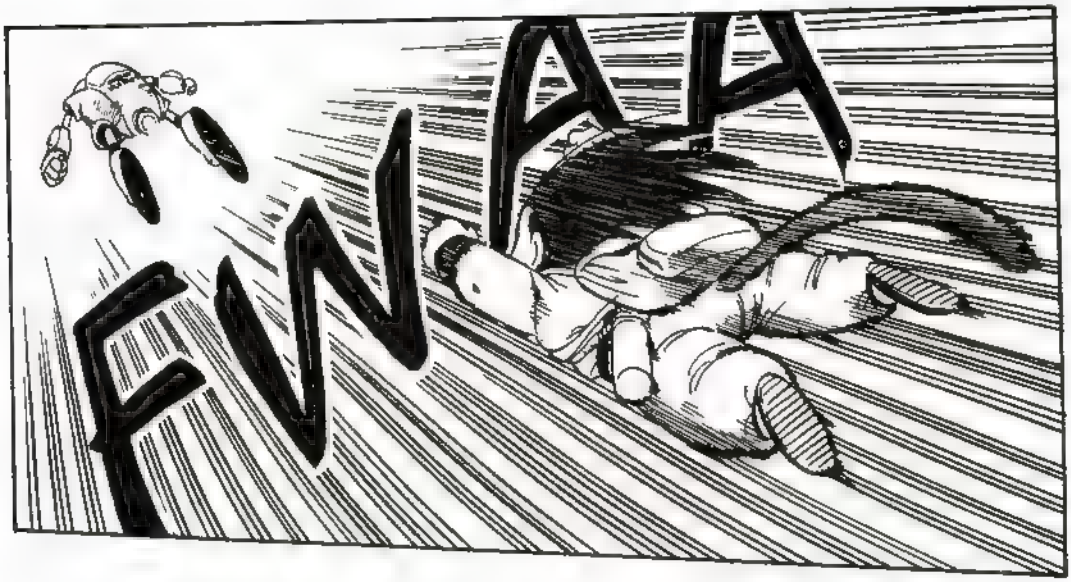

I'LL KILL YOU-- ONE OF THESE DAYS !!!
YOU'LL REGRET THIS !!!
BOMM

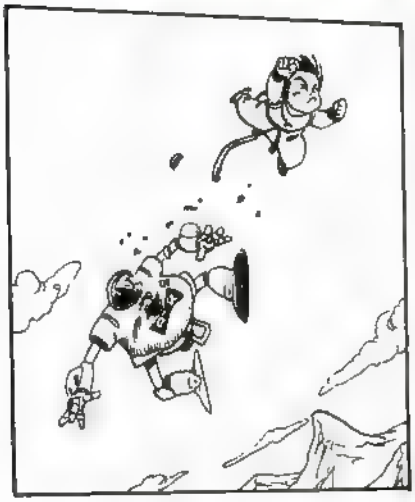
N-NO ONE'S THAT STRONG...
WH-WHAT IS THIS FREAK?!

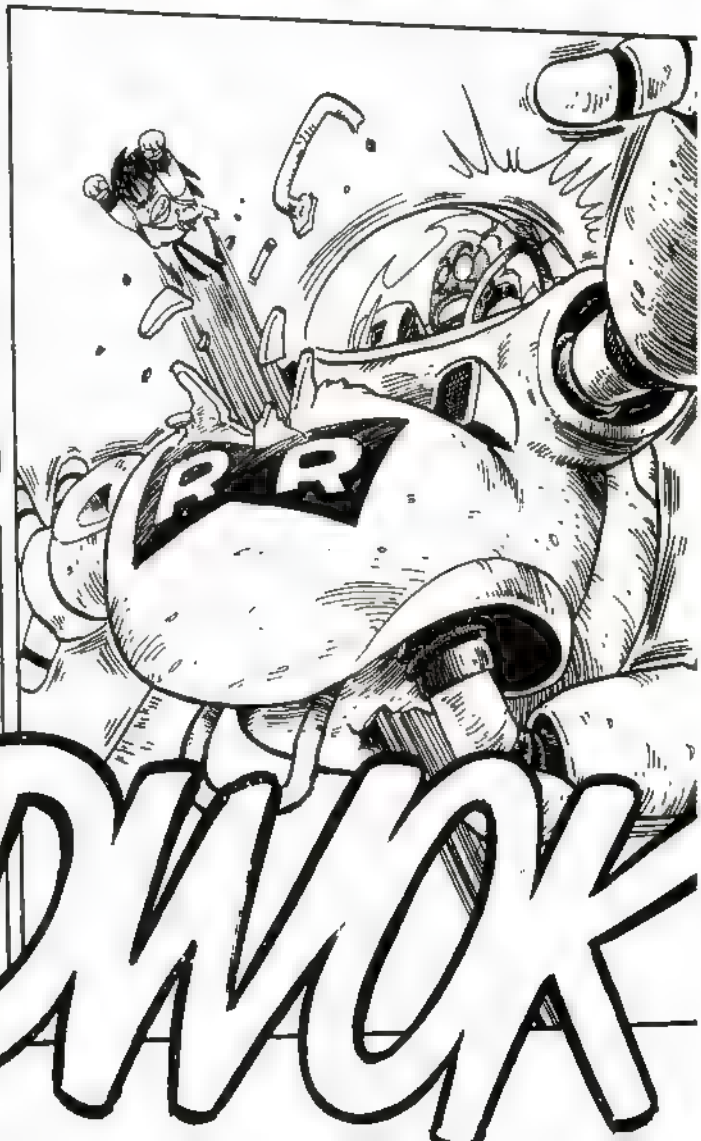
...AND I DON'T LET BAD GUYS GET AWAY !!!
NONNG

NNN
BUT HE'S A BAD GUY....

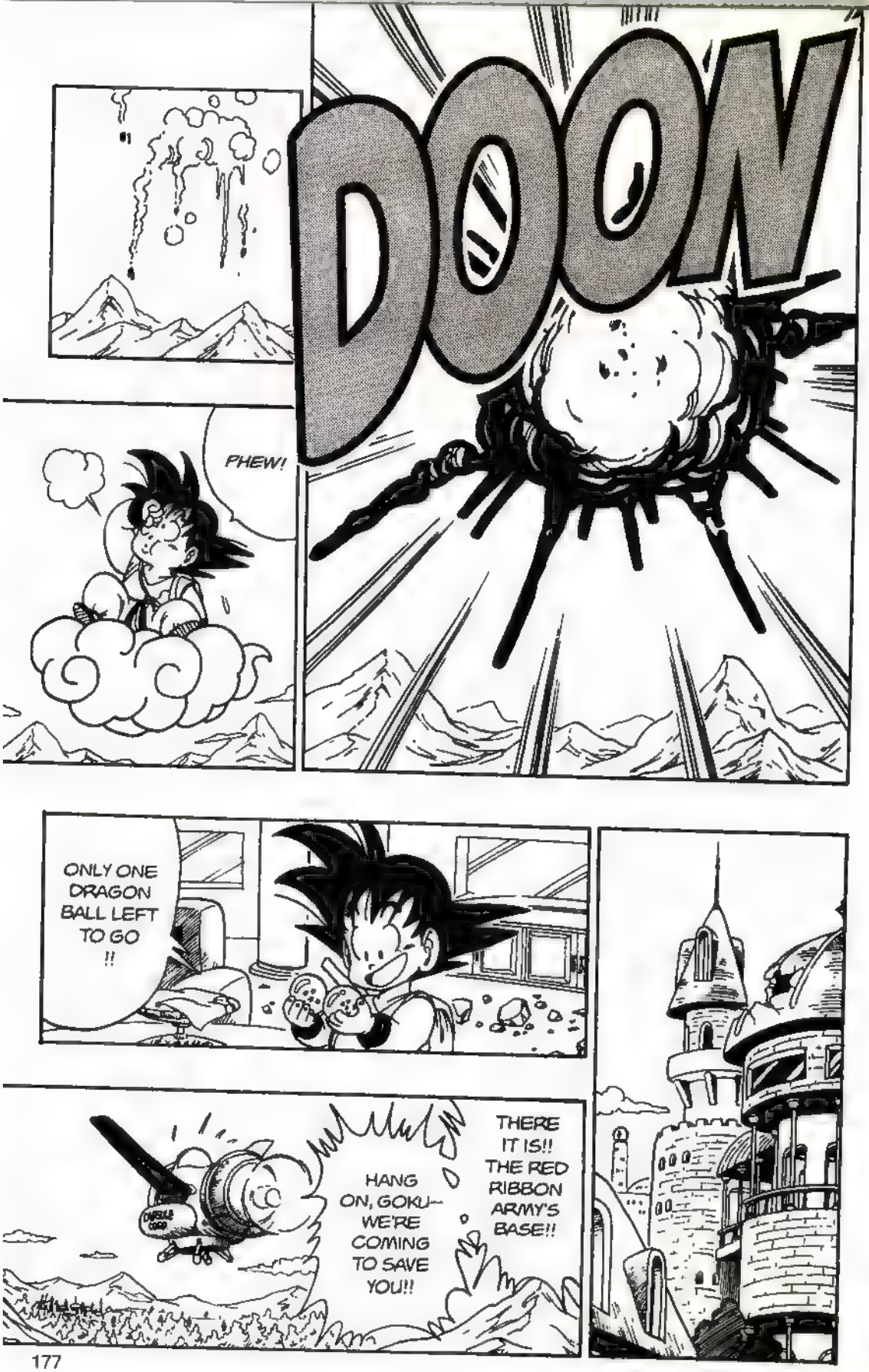
HUH?!! IS HE RUNNIN' AWAY ?!


FIN-AH




RR
DWOK

...IT CAN'T BE... !!
...N-NO WAY...



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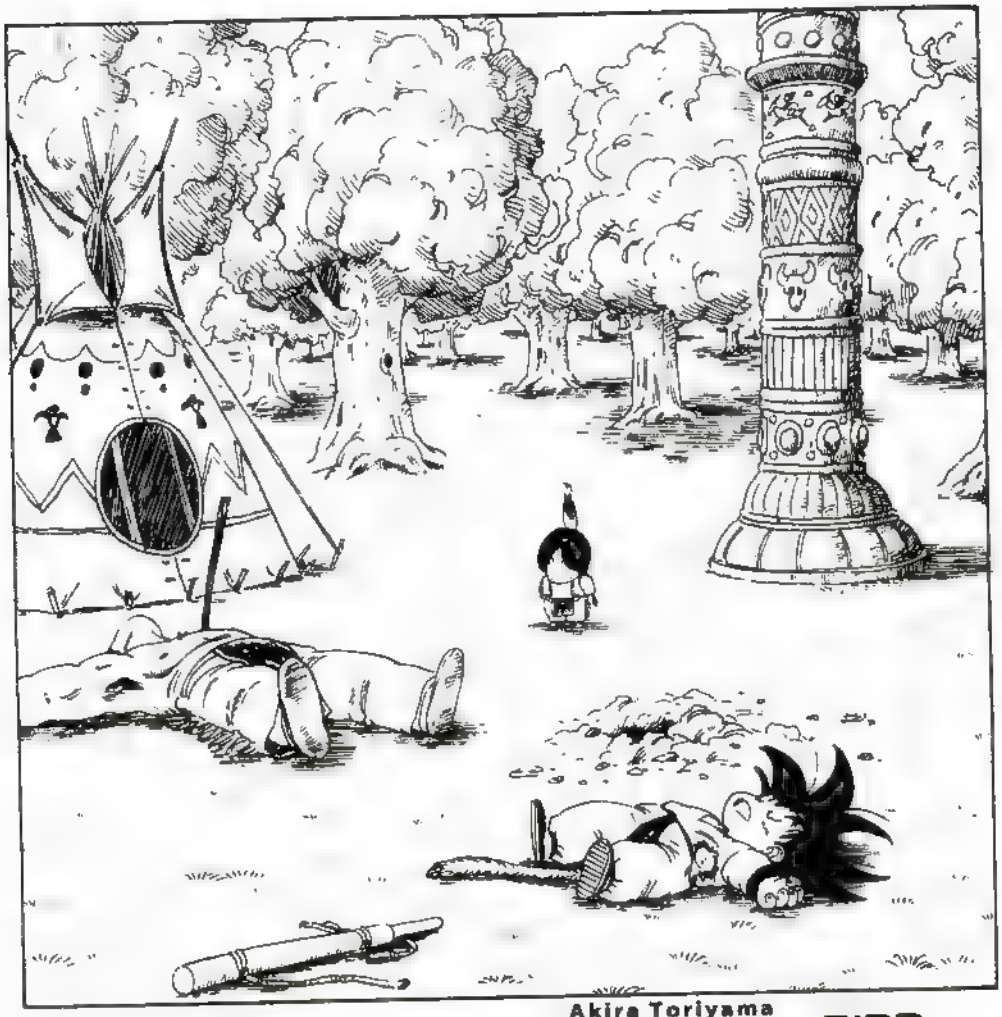

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Tale 87 • The Great Climb

Tale 88 • Sage of The Karin Tower

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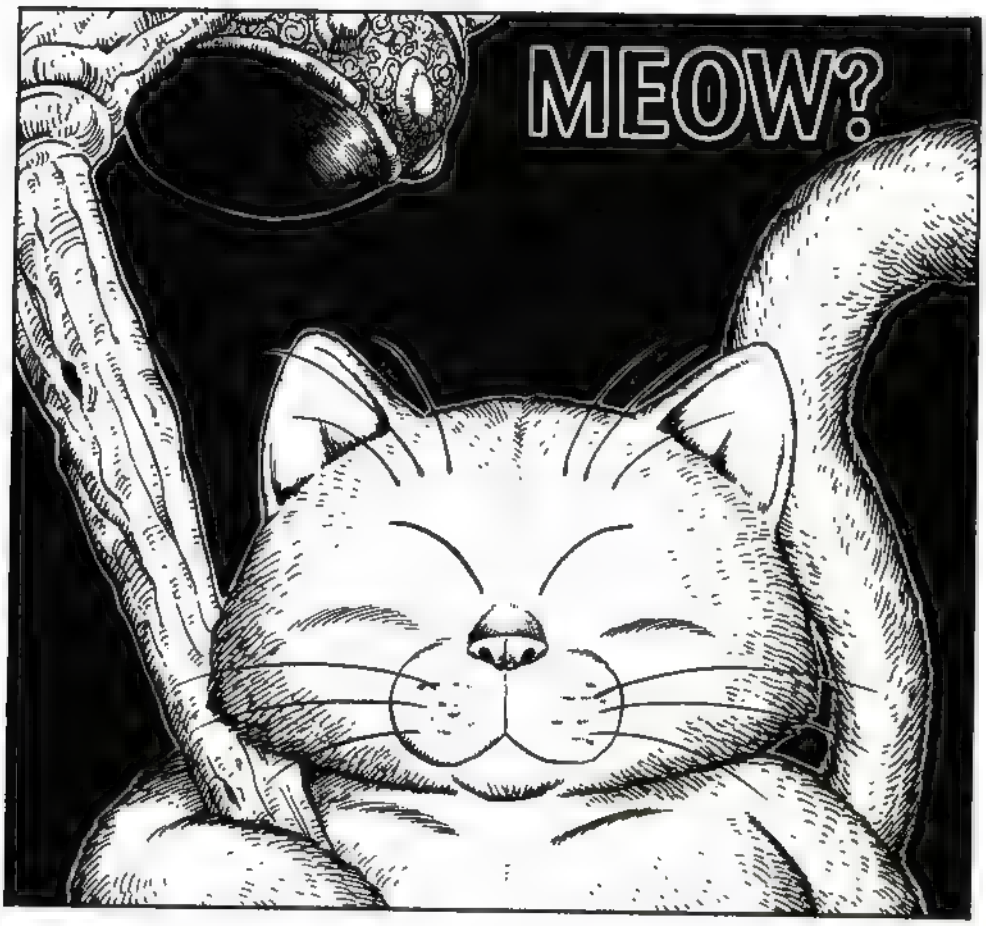
YOU'VE MADE IT TO THE TOP! BUT WHO'S WAITING FOR YOU?



JUST ONE DROP... AND YOU'LL GET STRONGER!

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Tale 89
A Drink of Water

ONCE MORE, THE BIG BATTLE!

Tale 90 • Son Goku Strikes Back!

ULTIMATE MOVE: DODON-PA

ULTIMATE MOVE: KAMEHAMEHA

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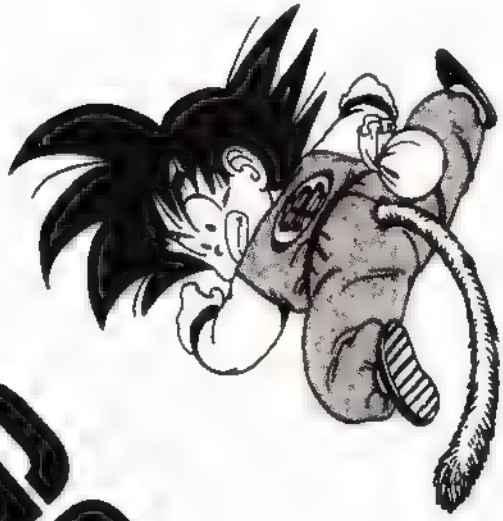
Tale 91 • Battle in the Sanctuary!!

WHO WILL WIN?



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I'LL BEAT YOU WITH MY BARE HANDS!

Tale 92 • Taopaipai at the Brink

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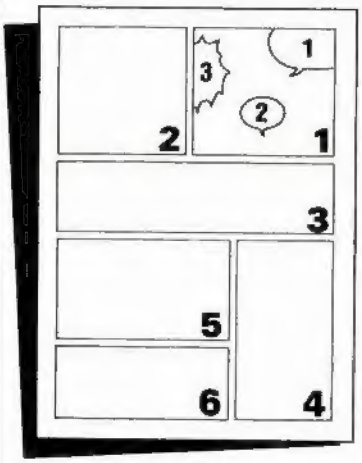

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...It's true! In keeping with the original Japanese format, Akira Toriyama's world-famous **Dragon Ball** series is meant to be read from right to left, starting in the upper-right corner.

Unlike English, which is read from left to right, Japanese is read from right to left, meaning that action, sound-effects, and word-balloon order are completely reversed...something which can make readers unfamiliar with Japanese feel pretty backwards themselves. For this reason, manga or Japanese comics published in the U.S. in English have traditionally been published "flopped"—that is, printed in exact reverse order, as though seen from the other side of a mirror.

By flopping pages, U.S. publishers can avoid confusing readers, but the compromise is not without its downside. For one thing, a character in a flopped manga series who once wore in the original Japanese version a T-shirt emblazoned with "M A Y" (as in "the merry month of") now wears one which reads "Y A M"! Additionally, many manga creators in Japan are themselves unhappy with the process, as some feel the mirror-imaging of their art reveals otherwise unnoticeable flaws or skews in perspective.

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